



# Munoz Family missionaries to Honduras

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Choluteca, Honduras Update

## **Dear Pastors, Churches & Prayer Partners,**

As we have entered this new year, we are so very thankful for friends both new and old who are working alongside us as we seek to continue to serve the Lord in various ways here in Choluteca. We do apologize for not being in communication more recently, as we have taken time to adjust to our new life as parents to two handsome and healthy boys!

To give an update from last year, as the majority of you we updated or met for the first time during our travels in the States, we arrived back in Honduras on October 31 and went right to work on various projects both for the church and our home, prepping for the arrival of our boys. The month of November was spent working on projects the church needed, replacing broken tiles, expanding the pulpit area and placing air conditioners, a very unexpected donated gift! Also during this month, our church was able to hand out several hundred John and Romans during a nationwide holiday known as the day of the dead, where the people come from all over to visit the graveside of their loved ones. This is an excellent opportunity to give hope to a hopeless nation and share the good news of our risen Savior! We also spent many days and nights completing the paperwork needed for our students to finish their school year and planning our high school graduation, which is always observed in November here.

We had thought that our boys would arrive via a scheduled c-section on November 20, but the Lord had other plans and our bundles of joy came December 4, via emergency c-section, because Anna had gone into natural labor, but our doctor thought it best to not try naturally due to the risks involved for our second son. This was not our plan, but the Lord knows what is best, and Joseph Lemuel arrived at 11:36 pm, weighing 4.7 pounds and Caleb Rafael was born at 11:37 weighing 5.3 pounds. Caleb had to be placed on oxygen for the first day and appeared to be very weak and a bit unresponsive at the beginning, but the Lord was so merciful and he is now thriving! The boys have both nearly doubled their birth weights and are growing consistently! We were thrilled to be able to have Anna's mom and sisters visit us and help out during the first month, as well as so many of our dear church family who rallied around us and were such a blessing during the recovery process!

Maynor has been especially challenged and burdened to have a Bible marathon, where the entire Bible, Genesis to Revelation, is read in a public arena, this was inspired by a visit we made to Seedline International in Brazil, Indiana, where we saw such a passion for the printing and distributing of God's word and heard of how many people volunteer to read Scripture on Capitol Hill every year. The original plan was that this activity would take place in January, but several setbacks came up that hindered it. But, the Lord always has a plan. The Bible is being read in open air in the town's center, which special permission that was only granted for certain days of the month. We had our first reading of 14 hours, last Saturday, Genesis 1- Deuteronomy 12 was read, with volunteers reading in 30 minute segments throughout the day. One man was saved, and many Bibles and tracts distributed. Please pray as we continue this activity throughout the month of February and possibly into March. The goal is to continue until all the Bible is read!

Our other ministries, evangelism, discipleship, Bible institute, ladies' and mens' Bible study continue and have grown significantly in recent months! We also had the privilege of having a Honduran couple who are missionaries to Haiti and the Dominican Republic come and stay with us, in our newly built prophet's chamber, and share in our activities and help our people learn more about missions.

We are so abundantly grateful for your faithfulness in prayers and giving! Only our Lord knows just how much you have blessed and encouraged our hearts!

Please continue to pray for us as we seek to serve the Lord in greater capacity this year! We look forward to sharing all that the Lord will do in the coming weeks and months!

**Yours for souls,**

**Maynor, Anna, Lemuel and Caleb**

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