

Dear friends,

We are truly grateful for your prayers and for all you mean to us!

This morning, Deedee and I celebrated our 21st wedding anniversary with a breakfast picnic in our back yard. I made Deedee's favorite coffee and picked up the McDonald's breakfast meals (still a novelty here in Spain), while she made room by taking our laundry down from the lines that dominate our yard's airspace. I originally planned a more romantic meal at a Flamenco place up in Marbella; but since we already had dinner out for her birthday Sunday, Deedee preferred a breakfast date for today. It turned out for the best, since one of the

kids got sick this morning and we wouldn't leave him. So, while he rested on the couch right inside, we exchanged gifts under a bright blue sky, serenaded by birds and a neighbor's radio. It was a nice break from work, *and we thank the Lord for another year!*

Thank you for praying for us and for our work; please pray for the rest of our team as well. More than half our team members have been facing family's serious health issues, like emergency hospital visits, cancer, surgeries, and long-term care decisions for aging parents. This has been pretty stressful for everyone. Several of our team (including Deedee) have made impromptu trips home to provide help and support. *Please pray for the Lord to provide all possible healing, strength, guidance and grace.* On top of that, our multinational team keeps falling prey to miscommunication and misunderstandings. *Please pray that our team here would be united in Christ.*

Meanwhile, we are preparing for the summer's quickly approaching ministry opportunities. Thanks again for your prayers! We continue to see God do great things. *Earlier this month, one of our teammates joined with two of our Arabic colleagues for outreach at an Italian port, to help them decide whether to send an evangelism team there this summer. During this exploratory trip, they saw a North African student accept Jesus Christ as her Savior. She immediately messaged her friends about her decision, then met with the team later for follow-up.* **We pray that the Lord builds this student up in her faith**, whether or not other evangelism teams can visit this year.

Thanks to local church involvement, many of our port and city locations now have outreach going throughout the year. *Please pray for Gospel distribution and for evangelism at the following port cities,* especially for the dates when volunteer teams will be there for short-term mission projects:

Tarifa: 22 June – 9 September Motril: 28 June – 30 July Almeria: 28 June – 30 July Alicante: 28 June – 30 July Alicante: 28 June – 2nd August Malaga: Ongoing Marseille: June – August Valencia: Ongoing Ceuta: July 17 – September 3 Melilla: July – August Barcelona: June – July

Pray for preparation and logistics for the ministry in all these places. Pray for the Lord to provide all needed facilities, visas, and materials (especially USBs or DVDs) for each location.



Finally, I recently learned that at the end of June, I am supposed to travel to another country in our region to help with an audit. *Please pray that everything goes really well, both there on the audit and back here in Spain. Thank you!*

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