



June - July 2022

Dear Praying Brethren,

Greetings from Spain! There is a phrase that we have been waiting to write for a long time! We have been here for one month at the time of this letter! We apologize for not updating you sooner on our arrival. Since sending our last letter, much has happened, and very quickly. It would take more time and space than is available to tell of all the Lord has done to get us to our field of service. But we will do our best to detail how the Lord got us here and some of the prayers we have seen Him answer.

We sent out our previous prayer letter on June 1st, stating that we had applied for our visas and asked for prayer about the approval process. Just three days later, on June 4th, we received an email from the Spanish consulate saying that our visas had been approved, and we were assigned an appointment to go and pick them up in Miami, FL. As it "happened" (see Ruth 2:3), we received this email on our way to South Florida to visit with some family. The assigned appointment was scheduled for June 7th, the day we had planned to return to Pensacola. This made getting to Miami a lot easier, and by "chance", the day we picked up our visas was also our 8th wedding anniversary. The Lord knew of the timing all along, and we were grateful for His anniversary gift to us.

After picking up our visas, we booked **one-way** tickets to Barcelona, Spain from Miami, FL. Due to the pricing of the tickets and timing of our housing arrangements in Pensacola, July 4th turned out to be the perfect day to fly out of the country. The irony of leaving America on July 4th was not lost on us, but I would not have traded it for all the grilled hot dogs or fireworks you could offer!

Our last weeks in Pensacola consisted of packing our belongings and getting rid of the rest, tying up as many loose ends as possible, spending time with our family and friends, and saying goodbye to our church and loved ones. The whole process was bittersweet, filled with good fellowship and excitement about what the Lord was doing in our lives but with the sadness of having to say goodbye to some dear friends and family. Overall, we are beyond excited about all that the Lord has done, and our family's support in our efforts to follow the Lord's will for our lives is something for which we are extremely grateful. Also, during this time, we suffered the sudden loss of an extended family member on my wife's side. He and I had gotten close over the past two years, and his passing hit me harder than I expected. However, it is a comfort to know that he was saved and that we will meet again one day.

Shortly before our visas were approved, we found out that Anna was expecting our third child. However, on the day we left Pensacola, we had a doctor's appointment that revealed the pregnancy was a miscarry. After praying about it, we felt that postponing our departure was not the right thing to do. With the help of our contacts in Spain, we had a doctor's appointment scheduled before landing. By God's grace, Anna received the medical help she needed within the first week of our arrival in Spain. She is recovering well, and although the whole experience has been a trial, the Lord has shown Himself more than faithful in His kindness and care for us. Please pray for Anna's healing and that the Lord would be merciful in not allowing any long-term health issues to arise from this situation.

Once we left Pensacola, we started heading to South Florida again. This time, we stopped to visit with some other family members, some of whom are lost. Please pray for an aunt and uncle of Anna as they are both lost. In an effort to respect their privacy, I will leave out their names for now. Her aunt heard a clear presentation of the gospel before we left. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue working on both their hearts.

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After visiting with family, we continued to Miami, FL. While there, we were able to fellowship with a church in Hialeah. This is the church where Anna grew up, and it was a blessing to fellowship with our good friends there before our departure for the field. On the afternoon of July 4th, we flew out of Miami International Airport with eight checked bags, four carry-on bags, two car seats, and a lot of excitement. Considering the time of year and the labor shortages that the airline industry has been facing, we expected significant delays with the flights and baggage. We specifically prayed that the Lord would have His hand on the flights, baggage, and timing of the entire trip. **Amazingly, and by the grace and mercy of God, we not only arrived on time without any issues, but every piece of luggage came with us, intact and on time as well.** While suitcases and layovers seem somewhat trivial, we want to give the glory to the Lord for answering these specific requests. Despite being an international move, our flight to Spain was one of the easier trips we have taken. And we believe the Lord should get the credit for it!

When we landed, we were met by Bro. Moises Campos and his wife, Rosa. Brother Campos is the veteran pastor mentioned in our previous letter and our primary contact in Spain besides our sponsors. He, his family, and the members of his church have gone above and beyond in helping us get settled and established in Spain. From helping with furniture assembly to going with us to government offices to help with the paperwork, these brethren have truly demonstrated the love of Christ in their sacrificial care for our family. To say that we are grateful for their assistance is a tremendous understatement. The brethren here have been such a Godsend, and all we can do in return is pray that the Lord will richly bless them for their kindness and generosity.

Now that we are here, our priorities are to continue establishing Spain as our home and learning the language and culture. We also plan on helping as much as possible in the church that Bro. Campos pastors. The Lord has blessed us by providing comfortable housing and a decent vehicle, and little by little, we are getting settled in our new home.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support! We would not be in Spain right now if you, our supporters, had not given your time and resources to the Lord's work. Thank you! We look forward to what the Lord will do through us with your part in the ministry.

Sincerely in His Service,

Justin, Anna, Catalina, & Justus Pizzo

P.S. Both our U.S. numbers are still active but with certain restrictions.

The easiest way to contact us is via email or through WhatsApp with my new Spanish number: +34 682 137 964

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