

ANCHOR BAPTIST CHURCH & Ministries

"Which hope we have as an ANCHOR of the soul, both sure and steadfast ... "

Hebrews 6:19

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Dear Friends,

I am writing to you today as a pastor and a co-laborer in Christ. One of the greatest honors the Lord can pay a congregation is to call missionaries from its ranks to carry the great commission to the utter most parts of the earth. I need to ask a favor of you that you may or may not be able to accommodate. If it is within your means, would you consider supporting one of my church members and staff.

The Murrays are our missionaries in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. They have been faithfully serving there since 2013. During that time, they have helped revitalize at least 3 different local churches that were in need of help. They have also planted multiple churches around the city of Santa Cruz, a city of approximately 3 million souls. The Murrays are planting these churches in a way that enables them to be autonomous in a much shorter amount of time than what is considered typical. They start the church from the ground up with its intended pastor, then train and equip him to reach his own people. They have also been instrumental in distributing hundreds of thousands of scripture portions and full Bibles through their publishing ministry. They have been supplying scripture for the local churches not only in Bolivia but also in several other South American countries.

The Lord originally gave the Murrays a burden for the country of Bolivia when they served there in 2011 as interim missionaries. They lived in the country and worked in the churches for about 6 months as they filled in for another missionary family who was on furlough. As a result of this opportunity, they were burdened to go back as full-time missionaries. Since moving to Bolivia, they have stayed faithful and worked through conditions that would have caused many to leave the field. Things like a government overthrow, the Covid-19 pandemic and more; proving their steadfastness in the ministry.

If you are like me, receiving letters for support is a burden because as much as we desire, we can't support them all. We look over possible candidates for support carefully and often base our decision to have candidates in upon their recommendations. So please allow this letter to serve as my highest recommendation for your support of the Murrays in Bolivia, South America. May it also serve as my personal request for you to consider supporting them.

We are overwhelmed at the need and the shortage of resources to meet those needs. If you can't help at this time, I understand, but could you at least put the Murrays on your list of potential missionaries for consideration in the future.

If I can answer any questions concerning the Murrays, or if you would like to talk to me about setting up an appointment to have them come, my number is 828-884-7610.

The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

In CHRIST,
Pastor Randy Barton
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