



# The Melendez family on Mission



*“...as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” (Joshua 24:15)*



## Prayer Request

*Please pray!*

*For our families:*

-  *The Melendez Family*
-  *The Eguizabal Family*

*For our mission,*

*For our contacts:*

-  *Xiomara*
-  *Nazareth*
-  *Javier*
-  *Rafael*
-  *Aidé*
-  *Horacio*
-  *Vilma*
-  *Guillermo*

*And for our residence cards.*

*“...I thank my God every time  
I remember you. In all my  
prayers for all of you, I  
always pray with joy because  
of your partnership in the  
gospel from the first day until  
now...” (Philippians 1:3-5)*

## Hello Family!



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We hope this finds you in good health and happiness. Our hearts are full of praise, joy and gratitude towards God for His wonderful blessings! As you read this Newsletter we hope you'll enjoy it and rejoice in what God is doing among us. We thank you for your support, encouragement and the partnership we have in gospel. May the God of love bless you and protect you always!

## Legal Matters

Costa Rican law allows foreigners to drive in the country for only three months with the license from their country of origin. So, in order to avoid future traffic tickets we each requested and obtained a Costa Rican Driver License.



We entered Costa Rica with a Visitor Visa valid for three months only, therefore we applied for Temporary Residency Visas. These visas are not easy to obtain, but while our application is being processed we are allowed to stay in the country until the immigration authorities approve or reject our applications. Since we submitted all the required documents and fulfilled all other requirements, we have a high probability of approval.

## A Place for Church Meetings



In October we focused on finding a place for our church meetings, and thanks to the Lord we have found one. The building has a capacity for about fifty people, and is close to downtown Palmares on the main road into the city. We are very excited because we know that this a good place to start. The first Sunday we worshiped in it we had two visitors. Praise God!



## Inauguration Day

The second Sunday we met in our church we held the official inauguration. Three of our friends joined us. We had a good time! My brother-in-law led the singing, I spoke, and our wives fixed lunch. After the service we all ate and socialized. The schedule for our church services and Bible classes are as follows: Sunday morning from 10:00 to 12:00, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30. During the week we are teaching about Heaven and Hell and Christian Evidences. We are looking forward to seeing our church full of Christians, so please keep us in your prayers.



## Birthdays



On October 5<sup>th</sup> we celebrated the 7<sup>th</sup> birthday of José Luis (Giovanni's son). His parents prepared a delicious dinner plus a cake. The children played a lot and we all enjoyed the party.

On October 30<sup>th</sup> we celebrated not Halloween, but my 33<sup>rd</sup> birthday. My wife cooked a typical dish from El Salvador called "panes rellenos." It is a small French loaf filled with vegetables, chicken, and a special sauce. It was delicious! We all ate and ate, and had a good time. We are thankful for God's wonderful blessings!



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