



# The Hollis Family to Bolivia

Reaching Bolivia with the Gospel of Christ !!

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Dear Supporting Churches and Praying Friends,

Greetings from Bolivia. We bring you this update from inside our house as we are still under strict quarantine, as we have been for almost a month and a half. We thank you for your continued prayers and support. The many messages and emails have been an encouragement to us. We are not sad though. God has been opening some wonderful doors for us to minister through.

Since the beginning of the quarantine, I have only been able to go out shopping one morning a week. I take a pocket full of Gospel tracts and hand them out to everyone I meet along the way. I encourage people as I am able through texts and emails. The Lord began to open doors to allow Jennifer and I to go and buy large amounts for basic food items escorted by the police, load the items into the police vehicles, and hand out those food items to families in need with the help of the colonel of police. This quarantine has been very difficult on the people here because many people work each day just to buy food for that day. Many places of business are closed and therefore many people cannot work and cannot buy food. We have been providing basic food staples such as rice, noodles, flour, sugar, potatoes, etc. All of the food that has been given out has been accompanied by a Gospel tract. Mark 16:15 tells us to “go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.” In a time when we cannot hold church services, we pray that the Gospel, given with love and help, will be used by God to touch hearts. We have been blessed each time we go out, as Acts 20:35 says, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

Thank you to all the churches and families that have given to help feed families in need here in Tarija. We and all the families who have received this food are so grateful for your willingness to help during this time. We have been able to give food to over five hundred families so far, and we are not done yet. God is using us as a funnel to fulfill needs and touch hearts. It is amazing to see and experience. To our knowledge, over one hundred professions of faith have been made through this outreach. It is a blessing to see how God works through hard situations.

We ask you to pray for the food outreach and that God would continue to supply the resources for it. Please also pray for health and safety for us as we are out ministering to the communities here. We pray for the quarantine to end soon, as we plan to bring our daughter back to the States for college. We plan to leave May 28<sup>th</sup>, and we would greatly appreciate your prayers for this also. Thank you all for your continued prayers and support; it means a lot to know there are people praying for us. We are praying for you all as well and for your situations due to the pandemic.

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