 **Andrew & Freddy**

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*Alaba al Señor*,

(Praise the Lord)

Gary Ashley

Dear Praying Friends, March / April 2021

**Malachi 3:6 says, “For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.”**

Malachi 3:6 is one of my favorite verses because I love the immutability of God. His promises to me are immutable; they never change; they never mutate. He never improves because He is the Highest. He never learns anything because He is knowledge and wisdom. He never has to alter His plan because His will is completed on earth as it is in Heaven. We might not like His plan, but a solid read through Job again, especially Job 40:5-14, should cause us to reconsider our esteem and to return to trust and obey Him. His plan is best, and even though we cannot see at this moment the how and the why, and we may never see it, the immutable God is good and has promised us that the result will be His manifest glory and the good.

Praise the Lord that we have had two, Abraham (Juana’s son) and Rosemary

(a new move in the area) that has continued to be faithful to all the church

services. Juana has been a member of our church for many, many years, and

she has a testimony of faithfulness! Praise the Lord for her! We pray that God

will send us more as we are faithful to talk to others and pass out tracts. The

Girls’ Club had a record high attendance with 8 girls! They were ecstatic! Kathy

had a special moment with them as she was reading from Genesis the story of

Joseph. When she read the part of Joseph’s brothers bowing down before Joseph in Egypt they were so attentive that one girl said out loud, “Wow! That’s Karma!” Kathy immediately replied, “No. That’s God!” Is that not what Joseph said that they meant it for evil, but God meant it for good? These are seeds that we pray will take root and grow in these hearts so tender.

Please continue to pray for Luis Quilarque and Klixon Castillo, the missionaries of Venezuela as they are having the difficulties that we face on top of the difficulties they already had. They are continuing to meet regularly regardless of restrictions. Klixon is restarting the Bible college and is even going to begin a Christian day school! Onward, Christian Soldiers!

Incredibly enough, we will be completing 13 years of service here in Puerto Rico and 23 years of service as missionaries! How time flies! As a family, we will be traveling to the states for a few weeks as Philip is graduating from high school. This is our third now that has left the nest. He will be returning to Alabama to live with his brothers and be involved in our home church, Madison Baptist Church, and attend college. We thank the Lord for His goodness to us!