 **Andrew & Freddy**

Dear Praying Friends, May / June 2020

**Isaiah 26:3 says, “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.”**

In these days, everyone is being overwhelmed with the constant news that is very disturbing. There is no peace, much less perfect peace with the radical response to the covid virus and the rioting, protesting, and looting. These have caused us to change our perspective from the vertical focus on God to the horizontal focus on the storm around us. The best thing that we could do is to stop listening to nonstop news and focus on God again; that will give us the perfect peace. This verse asks us a question – where is our trust, in a state capital or in the Omnipotent God? Clearly, this world is not our home and the citizens of this world really do have a problem with believers, which is becoming more evident in these days. While we try to be good citizens and loving to our neighbors, we must turn our eyes back to God.

Praise the Lord, we have returned to meeting at our church building and are excited to come together again for the fellowship of the saints, for the preaching of the Word, for the evangelizing of the lost, and for the singing of praises to God. We are praying that all our church members will quickly return and that in these times or rather because of these times, God will use the upheaval to bring more to Him. We are not able to start visiting yet, but we have been faithful to talk with those that we come in contact with. We were able to talk with the man that cut the church grass about the church and invite him out. Lord willing, we will talk with him again and encourage him to visit. Kathy and Abi are excited to start Girls’ Club again; perhaps within a few weeks that will happen.

We are also praying for the arrival and installation of the new front door that we had ordered six months ago. I have a handyman that is willing to do the work if we can get the door. Then, we can start on the church patio that needs to be repaired so that we will have no more rainwater flooding the floor, especially since hurricane season is around the corner. We praise the Lord that even if another hurricane comes, the church building is in such better condition to be able to withstand the wind and rain. God has been so very good to us.

*Alaba al Señor*,

(Praise the Lord)

Gary Ashley