

# THE CERNAS NEWSLETTER



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Dear praying friends,

With much thankfulness, we can share with you some of the things that the Lord has done for us, and through us, the last couple of months. God continues to open doors for us to share the Gospel with our friends and neighbors, and to minister to some church members. We are also thankful for God's protection of our family.

The last four months have been a challenge, as I've walked around my neighborhood (5 times per week) with the purpose of sharing Christ. By doing this, I can witness to an average of about 7 people each week. The Lord is opening doors for me to make friends with many neighbors. I make it a point to write down their names, to pray for them every day. The list has close to 100 names already, and it keeps growing. Just this past week, I was able to witness to one of the security guards (Raul) who works close to my house. Please pray that the Lord continues to give me the boldness to approach people, and that he brings conviction to these lost souls.

It is a shame that, many times, we focus on negative events to the neglect of some miraculous things the Lord is doing. Rolando Pacheco has been a faithful member in our church for about 10 years now. The Lord has given us the privilege of not only leading him to Christ but, discipling, and training him as well. He graduated from our Bible Institute about 3 years ago. Shy and soft-spoken, he is not someone you would think of as having great potential to serve the Lord. Yet, he has been extremely faithful for 10 years! He used to worry so much about things, that it would make him physically ill. Now, because of God's Word in his life, he has been set free from this issue. Please pray for him as he will be preaching in our church next month.

Also, please pray for Miguel (19-year-old college student). I've been mentoring him over the past several months, begging God that His Word would be the most important thing in his life. He has been faithfully meeting with me every week to study God's Word. I certainly understand the pressures of college, and the temptation to neglect God's will.

Another teenager in our church, named Natasha, has been on our hearts. Her family is going through a difficult time. As a result, they have not been coming to church. She has been a part of our church since she was four years old. In recent years, she has come across as apathetic at church. We have noticed this change in her countenance. As the situation with her family became worse, she reached out to Christine. She thanked Christine for investing in her life and apologized for some behavior issues. She said she wished she could go back to those times of family worship at church. She reached out, apologized, and recognized things when the adults in her life did not. This fourteen-year-old girl has brought us encouragement. Please pray as Christine meets with her, and ministers to her. Pray Natasha will go against the tide and live for God. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

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