

ADVENTURES IN MIDDLE EARTH

"Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name!"

Psalms 103:1

March 2017

It's been a busy nine months since our last newsletter. Yes, we're still alive; here's what's been happening:

Resident visas: It took over a year, but we are Ecuadorean residents! We had some bumps along the way, but we persisted and God moved some mountains (the details are on our blog).

HMA: We took our first furlough—now called Home Ministry Assignment or HMA—in December and January. We had seven busy weeks with eye surgeries, some wild winter weather (ice storms, snow, and sub-zero temperatures), travel to four states, and many conversations with supporters. Having Christmas with our family was a joy and we squeezed in time with “kids,” grandkids, and other family.

Anniversaries: January 1 marked three years since leaving the U.S. for language school and February 15 was 2-1/2 years since arriving in Ecuador. We're looking forward to the next season here and building on what we have learned.



Back in Ecuador: The photo above shows our region's missionaries at a retreat held just after our return. It was a wonderful time of Bible teaching, small group discussions, field trips, and sharing.

Thank you for helping us serve here; we're very glad to be back!

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Christmas in the USA!



"Christmas Day"



"Snow day"



"At the coast"



"Cribbage"



"Crosswords"

December in Quito!



"Quito Days Fiesta at the office"



"Our Christmas tree"

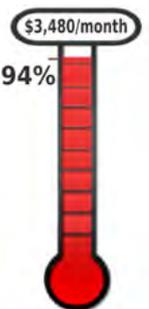
How to Pray for Us?

- Thank God for our resident visas and for the great trip to the U.S.
- Ask God for strength and wisdom for us, and for increasing ability in Spanish.

Recent Blog Posts

- *Waiting - What to do when God says, "Not Now"*
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