

Prayer Letter from Chris Borghi-Cavallaro for Nicaragua team, 12/28/19

Dear Prayer Partners,

I hope that you enjoyed a wonderful Christmas with friends and family, and as we approach the New Year in just 3 more days, it will be very closely followed by my departure for Nicaragua. I so appreciate you being on my "Prayer Team". Believe me, our mission team could not accomplish His work under our own power. It is only through Him, with Him, by Him and with your prayer support that this can be accomplished. So Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!!!!

Please be in prayer that our team will remain healthy in the next couple of weeks as well as while we are in Nicaragua. The days leading up to departure can be very stressful as team members try to get everything set to leave their families and their place of employment for a week, as well as get everything packed and ready to go for their time in Nicaragua. The stress can really weaken our immune systems, making us prime targets for illnesses.

Please be in prayer regarding our travel. Team Members will be departing the US on 1/9, 1/10 and 1/11. Folks are coming from all over the country, so the crazy weather patterns that we have been experiencing across the country are of some concern. The trip officially starts on 1/11. Please pray that the weather will not interfere with our scheduled departures and connections.

Please be in prayer regarding all of our luggage, not only arriving with us, but also clearing through customs without any difficulties. We are carrying equipment for clinic, eye glasses, instrumentation and all of the medications for our clinic.

Please be in prayer regarding those we will be serving. Pray that the Lord is already working on their hearts and that seeds we sow while sharing the Gospel will take root. Pray that these roots will penetrate deep into their hearts, and that they will become true Believers. Pray that our ministry partners in Nicaragua will 'water' these seeds, and help them in their Spiritual Growth after we leave.

Please pray for our safety while in Nicaragua. I wish I could say that everything is back to normal in Nicaragua, but the country is still listed on the US State Department Site with a Level 3 Travel Advisory "Reconsider Travel"-- "due to civil unrest, crime, limited healthcare availability, and arbitrary enforcement of laws." Pray that the Lord would surround us with a hedge of protection.

Please pray that our team will be *unified*. Team Unity is so essential. Disunity and disharmony are destructive and harmful in terms of accomplishing the Lord's work (or any shared goal for that matter!). Pray that we will not be easily offended by others and that we will humble ourselves to each other, deferring to each other, rather than putting ourselves first.

You will get an email from Eileen Palone in the next week as a test run to be sure that my relay system for having her disseminate my emails to folks back home will work. Her email is espeedsterpalone@yahoo.com

As always, thank you for your prayer support. Pat Ensman and I fly out of Rochester on Thursday 1/9/20, and we will meet up with 2 friends in Miami as we await our departure from there to Nicaragua on Thursday evening. I will be sure to let you know that we have arrived safely.

May you all be blessed with a Happy and Healthy 2020. (Wasn't it just Y2K????---I remember that so clearly!)

In Him,
Chris