

March-April

### Praises from Language School

Praise the Lord!!! It was our prayer that we be able to finish deputation very soon after we were married last December to avoid the cost of establishing a stateside residence. God graciously answered that prayer. When we departed on February 29, our home church didn't seem to mind that it was only 3:45 in the morning when they left the church in not one, but two buses to see us off at the airport! We thank God for them, and we praise the Lord we are finally settled in our first home here in Costa Rica.

Another answer to prayer is our support level. We left the U.S. with 86% of our support. **We praise the Lord that we now have 97% of our recommended support level.** We especially want to thank those who have recently started supporting us and those who have increased our support. Also, I would like to extend a special thank you to you who have been praying with us concerning these matters.

My apologies for being so long in getting with you concerning the matter of our outfit and passage funds. We have been able to save part of the funds needed and anticipate being able to save more before we leave for the Dominican Republic. Unfortunately, we are currently unable to provide as accurate and detailed an estimate of our needs as we would like. However, we are expecting our outfit and passage costs to total about \$15,000 not including the cost of a vehicle for the field. Of this amount, we have saved roughly \$8,000. We are working to be able to provide you with an accurate and detailed assessment of our outfit and passage needs this coming September.

God has very graciously provided a wonderful Spanish teacher for us. We have asked you to pray with us that we would be able to learn the language quickly and effectively. We believe God is answering that prayer. We have been very pleased with the progress we have made in our Spanish thus far. The immersion concept of language learning we are following is a wonderful idea. However, at times, it is more taxing to the body and spirit than I could possibly explain. Please remember to pray for us. Once again, thank you for your prayers and support. They are greatly appreciated.

In His Service,

Luke and Hannah Townsley  
Missionaries to the Dominican Republic