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## CORONAVIRUS

Well glory to God! The world has been turned upside down for just about everyone this past month. Here in Guatemala we have been in self quarantine ever since the covid-19 virus started! This past week everyone sixty years and over has been ordered by the president to remain in their houses, this also included children who have been off school for the month! Add to this a curfew from 4pm to 4am and with no public transport, you can imagine how difficult it has been for most of the Guatemalans who live from day to day, and suddenly they have no money, which meant no food! Many of our church members earn less than \$2 a day." This is where you our supporters came into action and answered our call for financial help so we could purchase food and necessary household goods not only for our 22 church families, but also others whom we knew needed help.

As we were not allowed to leave our house and not even allowed to have visitors, we arranged for Pastor Juan Carlos and his wife Miriam to purchase food parcels for every family in our church. At the time of writing this newsletter, we have managed on three occasions to hand out food packs to each family, and we paid the rent and electricity for our pastors. Pastor Juan Carlos also streamed a short live church service on internet on each Sunday. We want to thank everyone of you who responded to our urgent call for help and gave so generously. What a blessing you have been to the people of Guatemala. Many of the people wept as the food parcels were handed over. Many actually had been praying and asking God for help to feed their family! Our hope is that many people will find Jesus in this time. Thank you again for your love and help. Here are just a few photos of the families that received help.





*This what each of the families received plus a tray of eggs – three times so far!*

## **ZOOM VIDEO MEETING**

Andreas Pestke who is our Globe Mission Director, arranged a ZOOM video meeting for his missionaries across the world. This is one of the wonders of technology, where many from different countries were able to see one another and have a short chat. For us it meant getting up and being ready for 6.30am our time. Christa had her cup of coffee and I had my cup of tea and we were ready! Being locked up in your house for a long period can be difficult, and so this was a nice way of having some form of relief and fun. We will have another ZOOM meeting on 23 April. Thank you, Andreas.

## **HEALTH – JEFF**

I, Jeff, have had quite some pain in my legs and feet for a few months now, and lately with immense pain of electric shocks in both feet, especially when attempting to sleep. Also, I found I was losing all strength making it almost impossible to walk just a few steps without falling over. I contacted my pain specialist who told me to get myself immediately to the emergency station of the private hospital in Guatemala City. Our son-in-law, Edwin drove Christa and myself. As we were approaching the hospital, I received a WhatsApp message from my surgeon who knew of my case, to turn around and go home! I spoke with him by phone and he said I would probably need one or maybe even two 5-6 hours operations on my spine, and as there was a case of coronavirus in the hospital, he warned strongly if I was operated on at this time, there would be a good chance of me catching the virus and not surviving! So, on his orders, I am at home



lying down most of the time and on strong opioids until this coronavirus is over. I am finding more time with the Lord and with my Bible reading. My faith has never changed, I am still believing for a miracle. Please pray with us.

### EASTER PROCESSIONS

Antigua is normally filled with thousands of visitors who come from across the world to watch the religious processions. This year they were cancelled for the first time ever!



Last year



This year

### PRAYERS

1. For believing in a miracle for Jeff
2. For Juan Carlos' and Miriam's finances/a sponsorship
3. For our health (so far only 214 Covid-19 cases in Guatemala)
4. For our finances which have hardly changed in 26 years.

God bless you all for your prayers and giving.

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