



The Ministry Newsletter of Ron & Peg Smith

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Here's Great News From the Smiths!

It gives us great joy to be able to say, *WE ARE* at "full support." Or at least, we *WERE*.

For a few days in February our monthly support level matched the support amount we needed to raise for ministry in Guayaquil. But something happened to change that. . . .

Our Team Leader, Jim Tate returned to Guayaquil in January and discovered that rents and utility costs had risen a good bit in last year. They advised us to have our support amount raised a couple hundred dollars a month, and MTW agreed.

So, at this moment, *WE ARE NOT* at "full support." But soon *WE WILL BE*.

There are several churches that are still considering adding the Smiths to their Missions Families, and we have great confidence that one or more of them will want to participate with us in the ministry.

In anticipation of that, Mission To the World has told us that *WE ARE* ready to go! We have permission to leave for Costa Rica and language school in May.

WE ARE SOOOO EXCITED!! And we know you must be, too!

The Lord in His timing has generously given financial and spiritual support from many dear individuals and churches that HE has wanted us to have! He has cared for us marvellously and matched us together with you so that your lives *and* ours might be enriched and encouraged by participating together in His work in Guayaquil!

So *WE ARE MAKING PLANS* to move to Costa Rica in May!!

We have many little details that need our attention and many activities and relationships to bring to closure. And through all this, we need your prayers! Here are some specific items of prayer:

- Praise the Lord with us and thank Him for abundantly supplying gifts and givers to His work. Ask Him to send the remaining \$200/month support need.
- Pray that He may give us His grace and peace as we wrap up our lives in Florida.
- Pray for meaningful "last farewells" for us as we visit relatives in April.
- Pray that He would bring buyers for our cars and yard sale items.
- Pray for our transition and reorientation to life in San Jose, Costa Rica.
- And as always, please continue to lift up the ministry of the MTW team in Guayaquil.

On Christ's love,

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