

The Craig's Update

News for Friends, Family, and Partners
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Visa's in hand ~ Last email from the Craig's from NJ

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Although our plans have changed several times these past few months due to circumstances, some under our control and some not, it's always a blessing to know the Lord's plans have not. At times things seem to be falling right into place as we thought they would. Just when you start to think "I see where the Lord is going with this," He allows a little bump in the road to wake us up and get us back walking by faith where we belong not by sight thinking we know where He will be taking us. It sure would be easier if we had everything go according to our plans, at least we think so. But when things don't go according our plans we always look back and see God's plan was so much better.

It has been a tremendous summer in Northern Mexico with the teams coming practically non-stop from early June to late July and into August. It's not over yet for the team but for me as I am writing this update I am heading back to New Jersey. On Wednesday Kathy and Jeffrey will be heading for Monterrey as school will be starting for Jeff on the 18th of August. I will be helping Steve get settled, although we are not positive at this moment where that will be. After that I will be packing up our things for the move to Monterrey. We still need around \$100 in monthly support and some one time money for a mandatory cushion in our account at Mission to the World; we have really been encouraged in the outpouring of support in these last few weeks. If you feel led to partner with us, please email your name, address and pledge amount to carrell.shivers@mtw.org. Mission to the World (MTW) has to have 100% of our needed pledges in place by August 18th so I can get the field departure approval. Additional information will be at the end of the update.

Most of July has been spent assisting the churches with their VBS! These are great opportunities for our churches to reach out in their local communities sharing the gospel not only with the children but the parents as well. One week was spent helping the newest church plant Cumbres del Rey spruce up the facility they are renting. With some minor renovations and a whole lot of painting, they created a new exterior image in the community.

I arrived home on Saturday night and on Monday Kathy and I headed over to the Mexican consulate in Philadelphia. We wanted to apply for visas so we could move our household goods easily into Mexico. Last time we had applied for visas when we were living in Juarez it took about 6 months and a lawyer. Monday we dropped off our paperwork and we were told to come back on Wednesday ~ that is only 2 days. On Wednesday we walked out with our Visas ~ it is absolutely amazing blessing!



Please pray for Kathy & Jeffrey as they fly to Monterrey on Wednesday. The school admissions process & testing for Jeffrey will go smoothly and esp. as he starts class on Monday the 18th.

Please pray for Steve to know the plans the Lord has for him & that they can be finalized quickly.

Please pray for me as I travel to Mission to the World in Atlanta on the 18th & 19th to receive approval to depart to the field. And as I tie up all the loose ends and get the house packed up on the 26th of August.

Praise for those who continue to uphold us in prayer ~ we need it with all this transition!
Praise for our long time supporters and our newest supporters just added this week.

In Him ~ Scott & Kathy Craig

A few reminders:

There is still room to attend the **8/22-8/25 Vision trip in Northern MX**. If you would like more information you can email me or contact Al Couch @ alcouch@comcast.net .

~ It is a great way to learn about the ministry and really helps prepare you share it especially if you are planning a summer work trip or need to share the ministry with your missions committee.

We will be keeping the same **home phone number** courtesy of Vonage ~ that means it will be the same cost as calling NJ ~ 856-673-1969. We will be replacing our US cell phones with Mexican cell phones in Sept. Kathy will have international texting on her phone until then.

There are two different ways to do monthly giving:

Please email

If you are interested in **E-giving** ~ E-Giving makes it possible to have your monthly gift automatically deducted from your checking or savings account, or to use your Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express cards. E-giving donors also receive receipts by email. This process is usually easier for donors and saves administrative costs and postage for MTW. You may also call Lynn at MTW 678-823-0004 ext 2144 or email her Lynn.Wilhelm@mtw.org for more information.

If you would like to mail a check in each month you would send it with the form below to :

Mission to the World
PO Box 116284
Atlanta GA 30368-6284 our acct # 11130

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Team Partnership #11130

Yes, Scott & Kathy Craig, I want to invest in this ministry with you.

_____ I would like to talk to you about your financial & prayer needs.

_____ I would like to invest with you

\$ 15 25 40 50 100 200 other_____per month.

_____ Enclosed is a one time gift of \$ _____.

_____ I would like to support you in prayer

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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