

# Paul & Lois Howell

Missionaries with Baptist Mid-Missions to Honduras, Central America

Prayer & Praise Letter - May / August 2018

Dear Praying Friends,

What a couple of months we've had. We went up to the States for Brianna's graduation with an Associate's Degree in Business from BJU. She made the President's List in the Fall term, and the Dean's List in the Spring. We are so proud of her! She plans to continue at BJU this Fall and finish her 4-year degree. Right now, she's praying whether to return to Graphic Design or stay in Business. Katie is still working at the doctor's office and is praying about studying nursing.



Brianna's Graduation

Lois apparently got sick the night before we flew, and the cold went into her ears. She was practically deaf for about a month. We thought the infection was gone, but it seems to have migrated into her upper jaw. Please pray as she is in treatment for this. She is allergic to most antibiotics.

Paul returned to Honduras almost a month before Lois did. She stayed to finish several tasks that needed to be done. And she brought Paul's Dad, Robert with her. He is now 95 and still walking with a cane or walker and his health is pretty good, but he's much frailer now.

Thank you for praying for a Pastor for the Real del Puente church. While we were gone Edgar Machado, the young man who was preaching there for us, says he feels called to preach! He is a Pastor's son, so he already knows a lot about the ministry! We will be working with him and his wife to prepare him to be ordained.



Edgar and Karla

The Music Academy is growing. A church donated 4 violins, and another lady donated a trumpet. We're posting a video of Roger receiving his trumpet! He is thrilled. In their school they have only one trumpet that all the trumpet students share. We told him not to take it to school, since there's a good possibility that someone will steal it. But he took it home and started practicing at 11:00 at night. I'm not sure the neighbors are thrilled with his musical interest!



Academy of Music



Roger

We had the second area-wide youth rally in a sister church. There were well over 200 teens in attendance. Many decisions were made and we're starting to plan the next one. The idea is to have a joint meeting every three months for the 12-18 year-old group,

then another meeting for 19-30 year-old group the following months. The goal is 4 meetings per year for each group.



Youth Conference

Pastor Silverio Rodas, the national Pastor with whom we worked side-by-side to start our first church plant after arriving in Honduras, went to be with the Lord in June. He had struggled for two years with pulmonary fibrosis and fought a great fight. Before his death, he and the Amazing Grace Independent Baptist Church voted to call Pastor José Escobar as the new Pastor.



Pastor Silverio before his Homegoing

## Prayer Requests:

1. For both of our health, especially Lois'.
2. For wisdom and guidance for Brianna, and funds for her study.
3. For a wisdom and guidance for a career choice for Katie, and funds for her study.
4. For Edgar Machado, studying for his ordination.
5. For our Music Academy, that the students will practice daily. For new students.

In Christ for lost souls,

*Paul & Lois Howell*