



Dear Friends,

Can you believe that we are jealous of YOU? I recently posted on Facebook, “Seeing our friend's pics of camping, lakes, cottages, baseball and BBQ's, I must admit to a lot of wistful jealousy. Cue a big nostalgic sigh!”



I think that you must feel that way with us sometimes. No, I am not talking about our great weather, but the way we see God move and miraculous events that happen here.

It does not matter how long we have been in Colombia, we always (even Patty!) look longingly at our Canadian home. That is just one of the reasons that we ask for prayer continually, that God would give us His grace and peace to serve in a country to can be a little turbulent at times.

Please know that as we hear of your needs and see your news on Facebook etc, that we are praying for you as well, even if we are jealous of the pools, beaches and BBQs!

Family News:

James & Darien have just completed their school year. The boys are doing well academically, finishing with A's and B's. Darien (11), who was struggling at the beginning of the year, came within a whisper of finishing with straight A's!



James is about to start grade nine and Darien grade six. Both boys are taking piano lessons and classes in Taekwondo.

They are also growing up! James who turned 14 on May 30th just had to have his wisdom teeth out. He was not amused!

Susa - Groundbreaking News!

Literally!!! We are thrilled to announce that on August 27th we will be holding a Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Susa, church/community centre project!

Since our last newsletter, where we shared our vision for Susa, things have been moving quickly. All the approvals are in place from our mission, Darren travelled to Ottawa in May to speak at Woodvale PC, our first sponsoring church and we hope to start construction in the fall!



Model structure, gymnasium with offices and Sunday School rooms.

Building the church will cost approx \$150,000 Cdn. Some of the funds will come from the local church, some from outreach teams that we hope will come to work on the project and the rest from donations from churches and individuals.

To date, we have tentative commitments in place for some \$25,000 and based on this we will break ground in August.

If you want to donate to this project you can do so using our donation information at the end of this letter. Please specify account # COL7005, Susa, as the destination.

Help us to transform an entire community for Christ!

And if you want to help Build His Kingdom, HERE! Please talk to your church leadership about **bringing a work team** to raise up this church and minister in the community.



Project model, interior.

We would love to have you!

What Can You Accomplish In 10 Days?

A team from West Edmonton Christian Assembly (WECA) came in April to continue the work on Pastor Arlein's church.

We are helping to remodel their old building to facilitate the church's growth. Last year we did the Sunday School rooms and this year we started expanding the sanctuary.



We also did more remodelling at the boy's home, leaving the director in tears as we replaced the tile floors in the dining room and TV room, in addition to renovating the upper bathroom. Before it did not have even one toilet that was working! In a time of extreme drought, we were also able to purchase a 5000 litre water tank.

The team accomplished a first for the boys, taking them all out to eat in a real restaurant for the first time ever!

Heartland Church, Mississauga had its expectations blown away when in May we presented the Gospel to over 5500 people in school assemblies and outside a shopping mall.



Just in ONE SCHOOL we presented Jesus to 2500 kids in the course of an intense 10.5 hours of ministry!

We have dozens of invitations from schools to share our stories, talk about sexually purity and freedom from drugs and alcohol. Colombia is WIDE open to the Gospel. Please help us take advantage of this window.

Just as Jesus had a group of people who sustained Him (Luke 8:1-3), we also depend on God's provision as expressed through the Body of Christ. Please consider partnering with us through your giving!

In Canada: Make your cheque out to the: PAOC. Please include a note mentioning the ministry of Darren & Patricia McCrea.

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Patty and the Kids at Peace House



Dressing up for Colombian Children's Day!

Patty has been having a lot of fun with the kids at Peace House. Aside from working with them in their academic needs, they recently were able to take the kids out of town to visit the Salt Cathedral and a town called Guatavita.

Children from areas like where Peace House is located rarely have the chance to leave the city and were thrilled to accompany a team from Kansas City that invited them.

Until next time, Thank you for your prayers and support!

Gratefully,

♥ Darren, Patty, James & Darien ♥



Thank you for the toys! The kids at Peace house & our other ministries love it when new toys arrive. Thanks to Heartland and WECA.

In the USA: Make your cheque out to: "RPEC." Please enclose a note mentioning the ministry of Darren & Patricia McCrea.

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