

News - Bosnia and Herzegovina

Dear friend, I share with you a word that God has brought to my heart in recent days and some important reasons to pray for our ministry here in Bosnia

"And Joshua did as Moses had told him, fighting against Amalek; but Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. And it came to pass, when Moses lifted his hand, that Israel prevailed; but when he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands were heavy; So, they took a stone and put it under him, so that he might sit on it; and Aaron and Hur held up their hands, one on one side and the other on the other; so, his hands remained steady until the sun went down. And so, Joshua destroyed Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword." - Exodus 17:10-13. As I meditated on this text, I thought about how often battles are lost not because of a lack of calling, vision, or effort, but because of the absence of people like Aaron and Hur - brothers who help sustain the hands of the intercessor until victory is achieved.

I see Joshua as a figure of the projects that God has placed before us - the Valley of Grace, the Day Care center, and the local church. They are battlefronts that God has used to reach lives and advance the gospel amid many challenges.

In this time, I have identified myself with Moses: tired of raising my hands to the Highest God and in need of the help of people who can walk with us through prayers, advice and contributions. Moses had to sit down because he was tired; I'm already sitting in a wheelchair, but I also feel the weight of sustaining battles in the mission field. So, I ask you to be with us, helping us to keep our hands up until victory is achieved. Prayer Request

Legal Processes and Challenges

- On 06/22, the case related to the loss of my wheelchair was judged. Now we are waiting 15 days to find out if the other party will appeal the sentence in the STJ.

- I was summoned to appear in court on July 21 for a hearing related to the labor and social center inspections carried out last year, which resulted in a fine of approximately 5.500 euros. We will need to hire a lawyer to defend ourselves.

Teams, camps, projects, and people in need of prayers

- Pray for the teams and the camps that will be held in the months of July and August.

Today I drove Mirsad (16), Halaf (19), Sandro (13) and Edna (15) to a Rangers Camp. Pray for them.

- We hope to relaunch our website soon.

- Nicholas: is waiting for the residence visa.

- Wilson: is still in Serbia, waiting for his visa to enter Bosnia.

- Camilo: Colombian soccer player, he is with us until mid-August. He has been very helpful; he wants to be baptized here and needs a team to be able to play football.

I ask you to pray for me, that God will give me wisdom, strength and perseverance to continue serving. Through this ministry, may many lives be reached and impacted by the gospel of Christ.

We thank you for every prayer, message, advice, and contribution. You are like Aaron and Hur to us at this time, helping us stand firm as we continue to serve the Lord in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Walter Gonçalves/Bosnia and Herzegovina