

# Steven & Debra ANNER HONDURAS

## Reaching the Generation to Come

“...unto this generation, and...every one that is to come.” Psalm 71:18



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“...reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus” Philippians 3:13, 14

The passage above is an excellent one to consider in the light of a new year. As we look into 2018, we realize that we start the year with challenges we have never faced in the past. Yet we are determined to reach forth and press toward the goals that the Lord has before us. Please join us in prayer for these things.

### Traumatic Brain Injury

That is what the doctors call the damage done to Steven's son, Jonathan, when he fell at work in November 2017. Although he has lost abilities in language, understanding, and the use of the left side of his body, he is making a little progress every day. Please pray with us for his healing. Some TBI patients can heal in a few months. Some take longer, or never heal completely. We are praying that he will heal quickly since his TBI appears to be mild.

### Workers' Compensation

They have refused to pay to have Jonathan see a specialist and begin therapy. We are working through the process of getting that decision reversed. Meanwhile, we have arranged to have him see a specialist this month. Please pray that they will reverse their decision and pay for his rehabilitation.

### Residency

Our lawyer in Honduras has informed us that the resolution is certified. Now we must sign it, present it to immigration, and pay for the carnet (residency permission). We will be given a temporary residency permit that we can use until the carnet is

ready to pick up. Because this has to be done before January 21, we have made plans to return to Honduras from January 9 to 16. Please pray that we can get everything done with immigration within this time frame.

### Children's Clubs



Two evangelistic five-day children's clubs will take place while we are there. Our missionary team had planned this several months ago. Now we are excited that we will be able to participate in these clubs. Please pray that the Lord would use them to reach the children at two of our church's mission points and open opportunities to reach parents and families as well.

We expect that at least one club will have a high attendance. We may have more children than seen in picture above, which was taken when a team from our church helped a missionary in Copán, Honduras.

### Bible Institute

We had intended that Steven would begin teaching in the Bible Institute in January. However, we believe we should be with

Jonathan when he sees the specialist and starts testing to determine his rehabilitation needs. Therefore, we will not be in Honduras for the start of the Bible Institute. During the week that we are there, we plan to arrange classes using the video series that has been used in the past. Steven would like to teach a modular course while there. Please pray with us for wisdom and the Lord's leading as we make these changes.

### Praises and Prayer Requests

We ask you to rejoice in the Lord with us for His blessings and please pray for the following.

- Contacts - We praise the Lord for the opportunities to witness while we have been in the states. Please pray especially for Carlos and Stefani.
- Debra's parents - Her dad was placed in the hospital with pneumonia. He is home now, and recovering slowly. Her mom is struggling with dementia.
- Health - We will be doing a lot in a short time on our trip to Honduras. Please pray for our health.
- Safety - Although the demonstrations are over, traffic is always an issue in the city.

Thank you for the many cards, notes, and emails expressing your love and prayers. This has been a great encouragement. May this new year find us faithful to the Lord in reaching forth and pressing toward the goals that the Lord has before us.

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