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Dear Friends and Family,

It's hard to believe we are approaching our fourth month of school already! A lot has happened since our last newsletter, so we will get right to it. Our psychological exams were sent back and we are happy to announce that we are cleared to go to the field! We know some of you were as nervous as we were (especially about my (Dylan's) results, hahaha), but we only received some minor suggestions for areas of personal growth which is never a bad thing.

Our last letter left off talking about our studies in hermeneutics and the New Testament survey class. Next we had the Old Testament survey class and homiletics, a term for learning how to put together a lesson or sermon and then deliver it to an audience. Each student was required to put together two lessons each and give it to the class. Then, we had to stand there as the class critiqued us! It was a great learning experience but also gave us a new appreciation for anyone who delivers a message weekly to a congregation or classroom of students.

We also learned essential bible doctrines and team development. The bible doctrines class has completely changed the way we read and look at the bible and our relationship with God. The team development class gave us insightful principles about team building, cohesion, and conflict resolution. It was surprising to learn the frequency of problems that arise and continue unsettled because missionaries do not use these simple principles. Currently we are going through an in depth study of the Jesus' "Sermon on the Mount." We just completed a one-week course about inspiring missionaries and the difficulties they face; currently we are learning about evangelism.

As most of you know the curriculum for this school included a 3-week outreach trip to Guatemala in October. After much prayer, consideration, and discussion the director and the students agreed that taking a trip in October when all of us are heading to Guatemala long term 2 months later in January was not practical or good stewardship. It has been determined that once we are in Guatemala for about 6 weeks we will take a week break from language school (which is recommended anyway) and visit the ministry in Jacaltenango, Guatemala that we were planning to visit in October. This was the main part of the outreach trip that the director had intended for us to experience. This works out great because by this time we will have 6 weeks of language training finished and hopefully be able to communicate better.

Locally, we continue to attend Celebrate Recovery and are getting more involved with the church we have been attending. We have joined a community group that meets once a week to further discuss the sermon from the previous Sunday and to just enjoy community with one another. As we have been

meeting more people in the church, they have expressed interest in what God has called us to do in Guatemala and some have even mentioned the possibility of organizing teams to come down and help us once we are established! God is so good to us as He continues to affirm our calling and surround us with loving and supportive people along the way.

We miss you all very much and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible when we come home in December. Please continue to pray for God's provision and guidance as we continue our schooling.

In His Love,

Dylan & Missy Brobst
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