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One thing we always look forward to during the summer is the annual family conference which will be held this year on July 7-8. We thank the Lord for these conferences and for those that sacrifice so much to come and sponsor it. We have always had a burden to teach, train, disciple, and challenge pastors in their walk with the Lord. These two days of conference are essentially a special time to encourage those attending as they face so many obstacles, daily. It is also a great time of fellowship for these pastors, their wives and children. There are sixteen pastors and their families that will be attending. Please **pray** for each family as they are challenged and encouraged through God's Word.

One of the things that needs to be taught again and again is something Duane has been teaching through the years in all his classes. This is especially needed these days due to all of the violence and apathy. This acronym was recently brought to our attention by a Canadian friend. The essence of this is that "Every Christian needs to be FAT."

**Flexible**—we might make plans, but that we need to be prepared to change them if something else comes up.

**Available**—always make yourself accessible to what God might have for you with a willing heart and mind.

**Teachable**—you are always to be open and ready to learn new things that you never knew before or that maybe there are better ways to do something. This also applies to being ready to learn new things from God and His Word as you read and study it.

Please keep Pastor Juan Molina in your **prayers**. Since February, Pastor Juan has been struggling with serious health problems. First, due to a cyst in his left ear, the left side of his face became paralyzed. They were able to operate and remove the cyst, but then infection began to invade the area and was going into the bone. So, to avoid this going into his brain, he had another extensive surgery to scrape the bone to get rid of the infection. Then due to the strong antibiotics Juan developed a severe case of h-pylori which caused severe vomiting. Through this, the stomach acids affected his esophagus and voice box, causing him to hardly be able to talk and the inflammation in his esophagus is causing him to have trouble eating. Juan still has a long way to go, but we praise the Lord for the little victories that the Lord has been working out in his life each week. The Lord is so good! We know they would covet your **prayers** for him and his family at this time. "*The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.*" Luke 18:27.

This month at the Federal Detention Center we only had thirty-three women in chapel. They came from seven or eight different Latin American countries. Many of these women will soon be deported. Please **pray** they will take God's Word with them as they return to their respective countries. It was exciting to see their desire to hear and receive the Word of God. Some of them are studying the Spanish Bible correspondence courses. It is a joy to see their desire to share God's Word with others and encourage them to study also. Please keep **praying** for this monthly, ministry outreach.

Thank you so very much for your faithfulness in praying and supporting this ministry. We count each one of you as co-laborers in what God has called us to do. May God continue to bless and use each of you for His glory in 2017.

Serving together with you for His grace and glory,

Duane and Marilyn

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"For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry..." (Ephesians 4:11)