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“I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry.”

**Praise the Lord for his answers to a number of the requests we have made in the last few months;**

1. Yesterday **Neill and Deysi** signed the contract for a flat in town very near to Deysi's Uncle's house and they started moving out yesterday, remember them as they settle in and prepare for the arrival of the baby at the end of March.

2. On Wednesday last, I received a call from **Francisco Cabañas**. He rang to tell me that he had just returned to Sombrero Piri giving up his regular paid ranch work to support Pastor Elvio and work with the Sunday school and could Marie please send him some materials!

3. On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> we held the first of several work-shops planned for **Sunday school** teachers in Río Verde!



4. In January we enjoyed a fabulous ten days on the beaches of Brazil.

5. The **literacy class** has restarted and Marie will be going up to Río Verde this week to continue it.



6. **Cirilo and Raquel** are progressing well in the Abundant Life. Though the tragic death of Cirilo's 13 yr. old niece in a motorbike accident has deeply shaken the whole family please



pray for **Florencia**, the girls mother, Cirilo's sister, and **Tomasa** (another sister and regular at San Mateo) whose 8 yr old son, Milciades, was also injured in the accident and is still in hospital.

7. The restart of regular study of the **SEAN Matthew course** with the pastors has been encouraging (Book 1 with Juan and Romualdo in Makxawáya, Book 3 with Elvio and Teodoro in Sombrero Piri.) We continue to encourage the pastor and lay preachers to use the SEAN Bible Study material that have been translated into énxet, to help them prepare their sermons. Pastor Elvio is planning to use the same materials to train up young leaders and has asked me to provide people who can help accompany these studies. Please pray that enough of the right people can be encouraged to help in this way.

Finally three more pray requests;

9. **Pastor Lucio's** campaign against alcohol abuse started off very well with plenty of community support but personal problems have led him to abandon the initiative, pray for him and those who want to pick up where he left off

10. We still don't have clarity for programme of regular meetings which bring all the Chaco pastors and leaders together. Pray too for the launch of the Chaco history book planned for 19th March.

*With all our love in Christ Ed and Marie*