

## September 14 Update

Thank you for praying for us over the past few weeks. I was in Cairo with an indigenous ministry, during which time I walked 65 of their leaders through the book of Romans. Pray for those who made a commitment to continue studying through Romans. Pray that they will understand what it says in order to live the transforming power of the gospel, and to faithfully teach God's truth to students they are training in their church planting effort in North and West Africa and the Middle East.

After Cairo I was in Nairobi. There I walked 65 Kenyan pastors and church leaders through Romans during one of our Equipping Servants (ESI) Training Retreats. Many expressed that even as pastors they had never studied the Bible, so they found the time helpful and encouraging. The group decided to continue meeting together in Nairobi and Mombasa to study through Romans for the next 12 months before beginning their own ESI groups in Kenya.

Debbie and I next week will be in Uruguay taking part in an ESI pastor/ church leader conference that Andrew organized, as well helping to lead an ESI Facilitators Training Retreat.

Debbie and I appreciate your prayers as we wrap up 35 years of ministry in Bolivia – departing La Paz for Cleveland on October 19. How difficult saying good-bye to such wonderful Bolivian friends and ministry partners. As of November 1, we will be leaving active service with SIM -- to continue our full-time missionary effort based out of Parkside Church, now with an emphasis on Africa.

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Thankful for your partnership in the gospel with us,

Kep and Debbie