

THE LANE FAMILY

Taking the Name of Jesus to the DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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Dear praying friends,

We apologize that we weren't able to get a September letter sent out. Praise the Lord Ezra is here, but his birth meant us spending a month at the hospital. Ezra was in the NICU for three and a half weeks. The surgeons squeezed his intestines into his body and closed up his belly. Then we prayed for poop, which finally came. Next our baby boy had to learn how to eat and gradually work up to full feeds before we could take him home.

God was so good to us during those weeks. 24 days is really fast for these Gastroschisis babies to get to go home. After having Ezra home only a week we took Ezra to urgent care when he wasn't acting like himself. Our baby boy ended up being helicoptered to St. Louis Children's Hospital and we discovered he was septic, a bacteria was growing in his blood. He is also having issues with his liver and his bowels.

After being on an IV antibiotic for 14 days we have finally returned home with a clean bill of health from the infection. Ezra will always have bowel issues and is currently on liver medication until we go to his follow up appointments. Please pray for his continued healing.

For such a time as this.

While being at the hospital is not an ideal situation, it is an ideal situation for ministry. When you are surrounded by 90 other sick babies and their parents, it is a mission field in itself. We had the opportunity to pray with several families, including some hospital staff. We ask that you remember some of these in your prayers. Please pray for baby Marvin, baby Kai, and baby Abdullah. Also remember their families. We saw God answer a lot of prayers while we were there. Please remember Ms. Loreal who has breast cancer. We also had the opportunity to share the Gospel with several families.

PLEASE PRAY WITH US:

- For Ezra's continued recovery
- WE ALSO ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR JON AND MISCHA HOUSTON. THEY HAVE BEEN DEDICATED SHORT TERM MISSIONARIES TO THE ISLAND FOR MANY YEARS. MISCHA WAS RECENTLY DIAGNOSED WITH COLON CANCER AND HAS HAD TO HAVE MAJOR SURGERY!!

Great Meetings!!

One of the hardest things about the last few months was leaving Teah and Ezra in the hospital and going out to meetings. I was blessed to take my Father with me and have a great time of fellowship with him. We had several meetings in Nebraska, and one in Springfield. We enjoyed great times of fellowship at Gentle Shepherd Baptist, Plains Baptist, Riverside Baptist and Bible Baptist. We would like to extend them a huge thank you for allowing us to present and for their generous hospitality. God used you greatly in our lives.

Words of Encouragement

Psalm 37:23 "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way."

This is a verse I often quote when preaching, but my father brought something new my attention. He said, "Josh if your steps are ordered of the Lord then doesn't that mean your stops are as well?" God has you where you are for a reason. Just wait on him and remember to be obedient while you wait. If you are child of God, you are not where you are by coincidence. God has you there for a purpose.

We love all of you and thank you for your prayers and support.

Josh and Teah Lane



Acts 4:12

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