



## THE LEYVA FAMILY MISSIONARIES TO CUBA



Dear Praying Friends,

December 1, 2020

### October

As soon as I heard that a hurricane was coming our way, I went to the store to get some gallons of drinking water. I thought I was early, but when I arrived at the store, there was already a long line of people waiting to get drinking water too. Having no choice, I got in line. (We must have drinking water in case the city takes too long to recover from any damage done by the hurricane.)

While in line, I noticed an altar on the front porch of a home right across the street. An artificial skull was placed in the middle of the altar. There were flowers and other items around the skull, along with some candles. I commented to the person behind me, "That is not right. Worshipping death is wrong." The man in front of me overheard my comment and responded with an upset tone, "NO! You are wrong to criticize someone else's beliefs. You should be better informed . . . and, by the way, that is my home!" I immediately apologized, and he calmed down.

Afterwards, he asked me, "What do you believe?" Knowing that we were going to be in line for a while, I told him what I believed. Amen!"

*"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." (I Corinthians 15:1-4)*

He asked several questions with much interest in learning. As we got close to our turn in line to be served, a person cut in line in front of him, distracting him and sharply stopping our conversation. The rest of the time, he was just in "alert mode" to prevent anyone from cutting in line. Before we both went our ways, though, he agreed to a visit to hear more of what I believe: The Gospel!

By the way, the store ran out drinking water just two people behind me.

### November

November was a difficult month for me health wise! I started having difficulty passing food down my esophagus, had pain under my ribs, and had difficulty digesting food. I went to the doctor, and he said that stress had a lot to do with my symptoms. He gave me a diet to follow and some medicine to take. He also ordered some tests, which I will do next.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING! I know it is past due; however, let me say, THANKS for supporting our ministry for one more year!

## **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

### **Please pray for:**

1. My wife's and my health.
2. My family's spiritual life.
3. Our finances.

In His service,

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