

CONNECTION

It's been three months since we said "goodbye" to our home in Bolivia. Many people have asked us, "Have you settled in? Are you feeling at home?" How do we answer this? Like my returned missionary cousin said, "Are you still in the 'honeymoon stage'?" I think that best describes how we are feeling. We are at home in our house, but all the other 'stuff' will take more time before we feel settled.

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." Isaiah 43:19

In July we flew to our head office in Kansas with our younger two children for a debrief. That was a very good time of getting to know other missionaries and to learn from them how to navigate this transition that we are in right now. Our older two boys went to a re-entrer program for TCKs (Third Culture Kids). They connected right away and found they all had many things in common. They could relate to each other, and it helped our them understand why they feel like they do and why it's hard for them to transition to Canada.

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Austin and Landyn connecting with other TCKs



*What better excuse to go for a country drive and get amazing burgers and ice cream when your flight gets canceled?
Thanks Heidi!*

Rudy is presently teaching and counseling at the Peace Recovery Center from Sept 8th - 18th. The Center is a place for couples to come to who are looking for 'tune ups' in their marriages.



The Recovery Center in Peace River, about 3 hours from home

Rudy is enjoying this wonderful opportunity to teach and listen to the couples as they share their stories.

These sessions are in Plautdietsch, so Rudy feels right at home. 😊 Rudy is also on the preaching schedule at the Plautdietsch Church in CCC which is our supporting church.

Our children have really enjoyed attending or working at Pinelodge Bible Camp & Eagle's Nest Bible Camp this year. What a wonderful way to connect with friends and to learn more about God. Thank you for support of Austin & Landyn as they worked at Bible Camp!



We are very thankful for your continued support during this transitional time. We would appreciate prayers as we seek the Lord's direction going forward.

Avant has put together a new support schedule for us in Canada. They want us to raise an additional \$2,800.00 (taking the average) above our current support. That would mean another 28 new supporters that give \$100.00 monthly, or our current supporters increasing their support. It seems like a huge amount to us, but we know God will provide.

If you feel lead to help with a one-time gift or an increase in your support, please contact us or go to AVANT website to do so.
<https://avantministries.org/give>

*Because He Lives,
Rudy & Doreen
Austin, Landyn, Daphne, Isaiah*