## The Rodriguez Family





November 2017

Dear Pastor and Friends,

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter.

**Church:** In September, we celebrated our 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We had around 250 in attendance and a little over 20 visitors, many of those visitors made a profession of faith and we have started working with them.

We started a food pantry to help those in need. This ministry has opened many doors to get the gospel into new homes. We have had quite a few newcomers come to church through this ministry. The neat thing about this ministry is that we gave a food basket to a lady in our church, and she asked us if we could give one to another person, and that person asked if we could give one to another person. Each presentation of a food basket represents a presentation of the gospel. They all got saved and are coming to church. Praise the Lord.

We just said our "goodbyes" to the Diehl Family. They came to serve with us last November. A year has just about come and gone and they are ready to move onto the next chapter in their lives. Please pray for them as they will be working to start a new church in the Panama City area.

**Family:** Our family is doing well. We all had colds of some sort, but we survived. We put Rafael Jr in karate classes about three months ago, he had been inviting his karate teacher to our anniversary Sunday. The teacher came to church with his whole family a couple of weeks before anniversary Sunday and has been attending ever since. A few Sunday's ago he also brought his parents. The teacher and his wife both have made a profession of faith. They both come from a catholic background so please pray for us as we continue to minister to them.

Our four Marcucci girls are busy with their public schoolwork meanwhile Tracy is busy homeschooling our four kids.

August started the birthday celebrations in our house...Rafael turned 8 in August, Evelyn turned 13 (Can you believe it??? A teenager!!!) in October and Tracy's birthday was in September. We also celebrated four Marcucci birthdays; Elizabeth turned 11, Noris turned 17, Mileydis and Milena turned 15).

Thank you very much for your faithful prayers and support. We covet your prayers!

Your servants in Christ,

Rafael and Tracy Rodriguez and kids