

### **Proverbs 16:9 (NLT) We can make our plans, but the Lord determines our steps.**

This verse is the theme to our prayer letters (which is being written as I write this!) This verse has again shown itself to be true just in the last week. Here are some ways it's been seen:

- In the midst of graduation and year end activities, Tami becomes sick and misses them all.
- Just after graduation and year activities, Charlie comes down with an intestinal infection (this is new since Sunday!)
- After deciding we would stay in Bolivia for the vacation, God arranges a quick trip to the states in July.

Maybe you had to read that last line again. We had to pray and pray again about this. This is what has happened: Our school director for this coming year mentioned months ago that he was attending a training seminar for the school accrediting association. The training was for facilitating "The Truth Project" put out by Focus on the Family. We dismissed it until last Friday. That morning we thought about the benefits of this training for our students here. This coming school year we will be studying worldviews with the 11-12 graders. No one can teach the material unless they have attended this training. We will be attending this "Truth Project" Training as well as 3 more days of classes for school.

Tami has been burdened about her parents for the last few months. Her mom's health has been declining in recent months. With this training, we will be able to make a quick trip to Iowa as well. We will be able to see Charlie's parents as well.

For the training we'll be able to use our ministry funds (helps with ministry related expenses) for our travel expenses for Charlie and Tami, but not for the kids. We'll have to pay for their airfare out of our pocket.

- If you could give towards this expense, we would appreciate your help! If you cannot give right now, but during the remainder of 2010, that would help us too. These gifts are tax-deductible. Here is how you can give:

1. **Give by check:** Make your check payable to SIM USA and designate your gift : Thorsen Ministry 56664.

Send to: SIM USA, PO Box 7900, Charlotte, NC 28241

2. **Give online:** [www.sim.org/giveusa](http://www.sim.org/giveusa) Charlie and Tami Thorsen, 56664, Ministry account.

Here's what our short time in the states will look like:

July 8	Leaving Cochabamba for Santa Cruz
July 9	Leaving Santa Cruz for Charlotte, NC
July 12-15	Attending ACSI Training at Columbia International University, Columbia, SC
July 15-17	With Charlie's family
July 19	Travelling to Iowa, meeting partners along the way
July 20	Arrive in Iowa, with Tami's folks and partners
July 26	Leave for Cochabamba
July 27	Arrive in Cochabamba

Other dates coming up...

June 29-July 4 SIM Spiritual Life Conference (Charlie is leading worship with a team of teens for the week)

#### **Pray for...**

- The times with teens that we're having now outside of school. God is doing some AMAZING things!
- Our walk with Christ, personally and as a family.
- The week of the Spiritual Life Conference. **Pray** for a refreshing time and that God would meet with us that week in a special way.
- A good time at the conference, that we would be challenged and encouraged meeting with other representatives from other schools.
- Our plans and travelling in the states. **Pray** that God would supply all that we need.
- A good time with family in the short time we're in the states.

We are always so humbled and thankful for you all. **Thank you** for your notes of encouragement, your support in prayer and in giving. Charlie and Tami, Austin and Caris