

# ***Bentleys' Update – Nov '23***

*"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'" Matthew 9:37-38*

While on travels to Bolivia we received news via email that the Director of Mosoj Chaski (the Quechua radio station and related ministries) had left. It was a needed change, but came on suddenly and was therefore rather surprising. The day after arriving on the flights to Cochabamba I met with the two board members of Mosoj Chaski ministries who are picking up the responsibility for leading the work in the present period. Both of these leaders worked in previous years in program writing and producing at the radio station. One, Albertina Qolqe, is an educator at the university level in Cochabamba. Her husband was in leadership of one of the large denominations in Bolivia, but passed away just a bit over a month ago from illness. The other, Zulma Copa, is the leader of the national women's department of the Evangelical Christian Union (a church group in Bolivia with 1000+ churches). She and her husband also lead the Quechua congregation of a large Cochabamba church.

Zulma's role as leader of the national women's department is coming to an end this coming month. While finishing that role, she has already assumed the interim role of Director of Mosoj Chaski. Albertina will now begin dedicating two or more days a week to work of the radio station. Zulma and Albertina have a steep initial learning curve to catch up on the operational side of directing the radio station and related ministries, but both are dedicated, experienced workers in God's harvest field among the Quechua people of Bolivia – their people. One great advantage of this change is that both had years of experience in program writing and production at the radio station. Program production is the pressing need at Mosoj Chaski at present, and they both can fulfil a strategic role in that aspect of the work also. Please pray for Zulma and Albertina in this season of ministry at Mosoj Chaski.

Victor Campos, one of the two men involved in Yachay Pujyu (the mobile Quechua Bible/leadership training program of Mosoj Chaski), will be traveling to Cochabamba this week, so Paul and he can meet about the projected work and also in relation to an article to write for a missions journal about work alongside indigenous Quechua people in the Andes and the challenges of the coming period.

As I write, Lucinda is out on the south side of town at Fundación Emanuel – the children at risk outreach. She's working with the kids and teaching Bible studies for the older group of kids at present. The scholastic year for the Bolivian school system is coming to an end the beginning of December – start of summer here in the southern hemisphere. That will bring a change in the weekly cycle of events at the children's outreach. Goretty, the Director of Fundación Emanuel, is also due back in the country the beginning of December from visiting supporters in Germany.

Love and peace, to you,

*Paul & Lucinda*

Prayer Corner:

Health – one too many stops for a quick meal streetside caught up with us this week. We're both dragging. On top of that Lucinda has a bad cold now.  
Wisdom – for encouraging and giving counsel in challenging ministry circumstances and unexpected changes.  
Eyes – to see how God is leading and what opportunities he wants for ministry direction.  
For Zulma and Albertina, leading Mosoj Chaski and program production help.  
For Victor and Santiago, work in the mobile training program.

Praise Corner:

For the incredible dedication of Zulma, Albertina, Victor, Santiago, Goretty, and many more whose names are lacking space to mention

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