

# Steven & Debra ANNER HONDURAS

## Reaching the Generation to Come

“...unto this generation, and...every one that is to come.” Psalm 71:18



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*“But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things which happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel.” Philippians 1:12*

### What has happened?

On August 4th, when we returned home from a great day at church, Steven fell in the street when getting out of the car in front of our house. With the help of kind neighbors, Debra took him to the emergency room at a small hospital nearby, thinking he just had a deep cut above his left eye. At the hospital he complained of pain in his hip, so they took an x-ray and found he fractured his hip. The next day they did surgery to put in two screws. At home he seemed to be recuperating well from his surgery and walking with a walker, but because of other health issues he didn't have much of an appetite. Two weeks later he had to be admitted to the hospital because of low sodium level, but no infection was found. He returned home the next day. The following day he woke up with a fever, a bad cough, and no appetite again. We didn't have money for him to be admitted to the hospital again. After receiving advice from our missionary pastor, we asked his doctor if he could have 24-hour nurse care at home so he could have an IV. She made the arrangements, so he has had home care most of the past week, which includes 24-hour nurse care, almost daily blood work, and daily doctor visits. We have been very happy with this care. It was found that

he had a bronchial infection which he must have received while in the hospital. His sodium level was low again. Since the doctors here have not been able to detect what is causing his sodium level to drop so quickly and other health issues, his endocrinologist doctor recommended we go back to the States to get help through Medicare. He has had a difficult time getting strong enough to travel, but we plan to leave on Thursday, August 28. Pray for safety, health, and much wisdom in decisions we must make.

### Furtherance of the Gospel

--Many tracts have been given out. Debra was able to witness to a nurse who seems to be backslidden, so she counseled her with the Bible. When she returned another day she loaned her a book to read which she was excited to read. When one man came back the second day to see Steven, he said he had read the tract and it really got him to thinking. He said he would like to come to our church.

--Our church here has become more united in their concern and prayers for Steven. Many have come to visit. Several more than once. One couple stayed with us in the emergency the night he first fell until early in the morning when he was finally hospitalized. When Debra has needed

someone to go run errands, many are willing and will come, no matter the hour. All through the day people are inquiring through WhatsApp and phone calls as to how Steven is doing. --Many have had to step up and be willing to preach more often. Some have offered to take over the Bible club Debra was teaching to keep it going. The Lord continues to work in the hearts of the children there as they are asking very thought provoking questions.

--Some backslidden Christians have come often to visit, and the Lord has been working in their hearts. If he wouldn't have been bedridden they may have never come to visit and be challenged spiritually.

### Prayer Requests

- Steven's health
- Wisdom in resolving insurance issues
- Finances to pay off loans for hospital and home care
- Finances to pay off plane tickets
- Jonathan in vocational rehabilitation
- Finances to help Jonathan get more therapy
- Wisdom for church leaders who continue in our absence

Thank you for upholding us in prayer that God would be glorified through our lives at this time.

*Steven + Debra*

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