

# FROM THIS VIEW

WILMORE FREE METHODIST YOUTH MINISTRY

## PENNED IN PARAGUAY

LUKE & KRISTIN HIATT

*For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. Romans 8:24-25*

These have been some of the strangest times we have ever experienced. Massive pandemic, locked in our homes, the future truly unknown—it is a lot to take in.

For Kristin and me, this has been even stranger because we do not live in our home country and we are not even in our own apartment! We have been staying with friends in a small town six hours to the east for over six weeks. All this has stretched and taught us many things.

The #1 most difficult thing we deal with every day is: the complete unknown. We have no idea when the government will let the roads re-open and allow the buses to travel again, so we do not know when we can get back to Asunción. We do not know when the airports will re-open, so we do not know when we can fly back home.

Yet, through it all, we see God moving and working. We have been blessed beyond belief by the generosity of the friends we are staying with.

We have assurance from God in our hearts: we are in the right place at the right time. We have been able to be part of some amazing acts of love and have been able to grow deeper in faith.

**It is easy to say that we have faith when it is never tested.**

It is so much harder to put those words into action and to say, “God, we know You have the roads, buses, cities, airports, and schedules in Your control. We trust You, even though we cannot see what lies ahead.” This can come with anxiety, worry, stress, frustration, sadness...when we dwell on things apart from Jesus. Faith is easy to claim, hard to live, but eternally more freeing.

This lesson of patience and trust for Divine Intervention has been the theme of our time in this Qrazy Quarantine and our two years in Paraguay. Once we recognize that “Trust and Obey” is a lifestyle and not just a proverb, we start to see our lives the way God intended them to be. Romans 8 says, “If we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently” (v. 25).

We actively hope because we trust. We trust because we know in Whom we place our trust. We obey because God is our Good Shepherd and we know He will lead us to the best places to make His Kingdom known.

Trust in Christ, depend on the Spirit, and actively hope for the future.

**Live by faith.**



Luke & Kristin Hiatt serve as Missionaries in Asuncion Paraguay.

Before Paraguay, they lived in Wilmore, and were a part of the youth ministry here at WFMC.

# SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH: 9-11TH GRADE

## A REFLECTION FROM SAM MAYNARD

During this time, I have been staying busy with NTI work, Bible Quizzing on Zoom, mowing lawns and working with my dad. I enjoyed helping our family build a chicken coop in the back yard. I miss school, church, friends and our normal routine.

I know that God is in control of this pandemic but I will be glad when it's over. Please pray that we are still able to go to Colombia sometime in the future. Thanks.

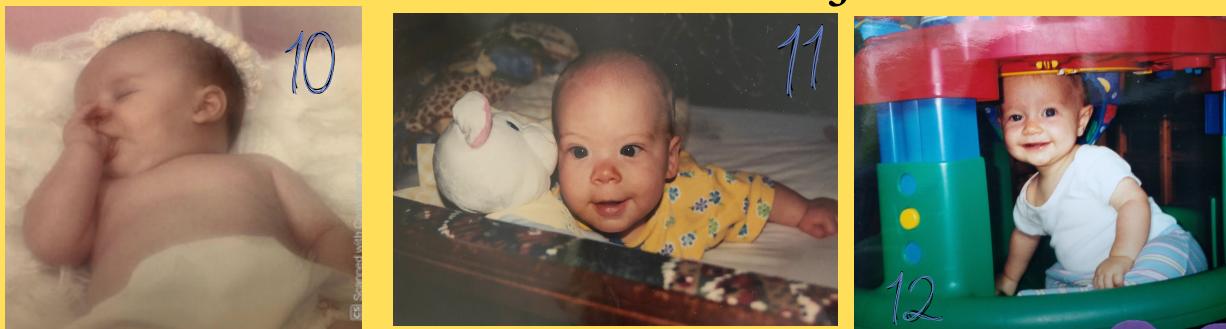
### Next Week's Feature: 8th Grade Graduates

Students, please send me a photo and your favorite ice cream flavor. We'll turn it into a game. **All submissions are due by 9am on Tuesday, May 5, (atinsley@wfmc.net)**

**WHO'S THAT BABY??**



## CLASS OF 2020 ...just too cute!



The first 3 people to correctly identify all our senior babies, will receive an Ale 8. Send guesses: [atinsley@wfmc.net](mailto:atinsley@wfmc.net).

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