

Hi from Toronto on a snowy Friday morning:

I wanted to get this update letter off to you before I head to Bolivia on Monday for three weeks.

I will be travelling and working with Alicia Dykstra from Calgary, Alberta. We are both looking forward to the time together and to the women and men we will meet and mentor in the Groups of Hope program.

Some of you will have heard about the airplane that crashed onto the ice outside North Spirit Lake on Tuesday. There is a tremendous impact on those who live in the north and have to travel out by plane so many times a year. Since all of the communities are inter-related many will have lost close friends or family in the four people who died in the crash.

I found myself praying for the First Nation People of the north as well as for staff who fly in and out to work in the communities. I realized anew how much we depend on God for His protection and for safety.

As Alicia and I go to Bolivia, we will be conducting three or four workshops as well as leading a 'conferencia' with women who are attending the convention. Thanks you for your prayers as we mentor the Groups of Hope. We will be meeting old friends and making new ones. ☺



I took this picture from the airport in El Alto, where Alicia and I will be landing at 0600 on Tuesday morning. The glacier covered mountain seems to rise out of the plane and be close enough to touch!

I am trusting God for a good adjustment to the high altitude. I stood outside the airport in Weagamow and a friend took my picture in front of the sign that announced that the community is 974 feet above sea level. When we disembark in El Alto the sign will read 12,000 feet!

Through your thoughts and prayers and financial support you are part of the Groups of Hope ministry. I know that when I travel I realize that there are many around the world who are praying and I am so grateful.

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