

Catherine Le Tissier and Nick Drayson

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To Catherine and Nick's supporters,

We are aware that it has been some time since you received a link letter from Catherine and Nick. Nick, particularly, has had some significant health issues and in January we received a terrible shock when we heard that he had been admitted to hospital after suffering a heart attack. Thankfully he has received good care and is well on the road to recovery. We were delighted to receive the update below that Nick has been able to share personally. We hope that it will encourage you and that you will join us in praying for a speedy and full recovery for Nick. Please pray too for Catherine as she supports Nick, carries much of the burden of preparing for their return to the UK and deals with her own health issues.

Catherine has also written about the last few months on her blog at:
catleti.wordpress.com/2023/02/06/in-the-shadows

Thank you for partnering with CMS and with Catherine and Nick.

Every blessing,


Paul Tester

CMS Manager in Latin America

Dear Friends,

I am relieved to write to you personally, after a very uncertain month. We have been so conscious of your prayers, and grateful for words of encouragement and support.

I was admitted to hospital in Salta on 21 January having apparently had a heart attack. After a couple of attempts to repair arteries and insert stents, it was clear I needed heart by-pass surgery, and this was carried out successfully on 6 February.



Both Sam and Stefi were able to travel to be with us, for which we are so grateful. I was discharged on 11 February, and the slow path to recovery began. Catherine has been amazing, at times having to deal with her own health issues as well.

Many of you will know how slow and painful it is, but the reassurances are that eventually life will look familiar again! Meanwhile we take it a day at a time. It still feels like square one though!

There are some added complications: not least our deadline to move back to UK from Argentina after 14 years. Plans for farewells, packing and travel have all had to be changed or abandoned. Catherine is still hoping to make the 550 km journey to Juarez when I am well enough to be left alone, to close our home there, and say goodbye to much loved dogs and people.

For me the challenge is how to take leave of my responsibilities. I am pleased to have a good vicar general who has already picked up the work in the diocese, knowing I was already due to retire in May. The next step in the wider Province may need some more attention.

But my main reason for writing was to make contact again, thank those who pray, share plans and greet you. We are still not totally clear where we should live in the UK. At first we will stay with several members of the family.

We look forward to renewed contact with many of you in the coming months and years.

With love and blessings,

Nick