

Pray

- Strength for visiting pastors filling the pulpit in our absence
- For faithfulness and spiritual growth in the lives of our Uruguayan friends
- Wisdom and discernment in parenting our daughters during this unique time of ministry
- Health and strength as we travel

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Praise

- Safety in travels
- Refreshing times spiritually for our family
- Visits with family and supporters
- A promised increase in financial support
- Opportunities to recruit for the mission field

Life in Uruguay

Furlough planning has two components. One is very visible, and the other is often unseen and somewhat overlooked. However, it is equally important. The latter is the care and nurture on the field in the missionary's absence.

We praise the Lord that faithful men from five churches located around the country have been willing to fill the gaps during our absence. The closest traveling distance is two hours away. This represents a significant sacrifice as these men pastor their own ministries, and is a good reflection of their hearts to see Baptist churches thrive in the Interior. Please pray that God will supply their needs both physically, mentally, and spiritually as they allow us to report to you.

In addition to these faithful friends, the folks in Durazno have also stepped up. Please pray for María del Carmen as she leads the children's Sunday school, María and Margot as they aid in the continuity of the ladies' Bible studies, and Víctor and Ónix as they lead Wednesday prayer meetings. We have been especially grateful to see how Víctor has taken on the ministry of encouraging the believers to meet, pray, and encourage one another.

During this month of November, Sundays are being filled by a group of ministry-minded men from the church in Paysandú. During December, our co-worker Jonathan Rehfeltdt from the ministry in Colonia will be using our home as a base for their seminary. The goal is to give them an opportunity to put what they have been learning into practice through evangelism outreach, preaching, and running special end-of-the year church activities. We are excited to see what the Lord will do. Would you pray that this will be a time of growth not only for the ministry in Durazno, but also for these young servants in training from Paysandú and Colonia?

Life in the USA

After about six months of preparation, we flew over top of Hurricane Maria and arrived in the States on Friday, September 22. Over the course of the week-and-a-half, we renewed our driver's licenses, welcomed a loaned minivan into our lives, enrolled our girls at Fourth Baptist Christian School, visited often with family and close friends, and on October 1, enjoyed the kick-off of our first furlough meeting and missions conference.

Since that time, we have visited seven of our supporting churches, five of our individual financial supporters, and attended our Mission Board's Annual Meeting.

What a delight it is to tangibly show what God is doing in the heart of Uruguay, and in turn, to see what He has been doing in your midst during the last four and half years. We are grateful for the opportunities that we have received to speak to children and teens, and point them towards the mission field. We are humbled by your faithfulness, as many of you encourage us by mentioning by name specific prayer requests that we have mentioned over the years in prior prayer letters.

In addition, we have found this to be a time of spiritual and mental refreshment. It has been a blessing to hear preaching by our supporting pastors and listen as you tell us of different ministry resources and opportunities that have been a blessing in your lives.

The most recent resource blessing that we received while we were in southern Indiana was to pop over the Kentucky border to visit the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter. We treasure the moments shared with Jo Anna's aunt and uncle on this trip and also look forward to sharing the acquired resources with the ministry in Uruguay!

Finally, last but not least, we received word that one of our supporters will be increasing their support. What a blessing to see God provide for this need and nudge us closer to being fully supported once again.

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Thanks for your prayers!

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