

July 2023 What a full month!

We had a great time getting to teach for three days at camp teaching kids from various parts of the country!

"I want to be called by God too!"

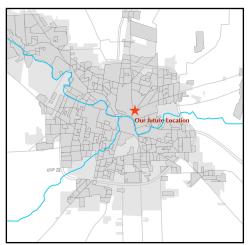
We had three great days at camp teaching and preaching His glorious message. Pray for all of the young people that were in attendance. There were several kids from various parts of the country. On the last day when we were all in a large circle sharing testimonies there were several young men that stated that they believed that God wanted them to preach. One young man stated to everyone that he wanted God to call him to preach also! Pray for these young men as well as the men that are working with them!

Waterfall in our kitchen!

During the week at camp there was a problem each day with the hot water. As a result we only had either icy-cold winter showers or bird baths during our time there. We all looked forward to getting home to a long hot shower. (*I know that hot water is considered by many as a vain luxury and that the majority of the world has no or limited access to it, but is one thing that I do excess in!*) About an hour after arriving home, our hot water heater burst in a thunderous cascade in our kitchen. We were able to get a plumber to come out a couple days later to install a new one. Never have we been so ready for a hot shower! To add insult to injury, as soon as the water was back on the power went out! We now have electricity again as well as hot water! We are thankful that it burst when we were home and not while we were at camp!

We started the process to rent a place to meet!

One of the answers to prayer is finding a wonderful location to start having meetings. We have looked at so many places and talked to so many people over the last several months, mostly resulting in headache. A few weeks ago we had driven by this spot and I had noticed the sign in the window showing it for rent. Over the last few weeks I kept coming back to this place in my mind. The only downside appeared to be the size. It seemed a little small at 28 sq/m, but I was attracted by the great location and possibilities. It turned out not to be a downside as the owner had another 16 sq/m that was not advertised that we will be renting with the part pictured. It is located at the edge of one of the barrios where about four other barrios meet. Since the location is facing the neighborhood plaza that had just been renovated with new equipment, we would have



all of that close at hand for activities as well as a whole city block around the plaza for parking! There are at least 8 bus lines that run along some of the major roads that are only a couple of blocks away; which means that I could canvas all of the neighborhoods where those buses run as it would be a simple bus ride for them to arrive at services! We have been wanting to reach out to the North East quarter of the city as there are nobody that we know reaching out to this area. Please pray that we can get all of the legal stuff finished and get keys in our hands!

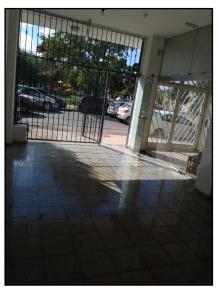
We could fill a book with all of the other stories from this month!

Thank you for praying for us and the work!

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You can see that the location is in the middle of about 5 barrios or neighborhoods. Each barrio is like a separate city in itself!

There are over 500 such barrios



In the picture below, you can see the playground equipment of the large plaza across the street!





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Thoughts from Stacie

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Independence Day



We started the month of July saying goodbye to the guests we talked about in our June report. So the 4th of July just kind of snuck up on us. We did celebrate though by watching a patriotic movie and using red, white, and blue "firework" candles in some cupcakes that the kids made.

Hat Day in Violin Class

The girls really enjoying playing violins with their friends. For the last group class before winter break they had a party where they all dressed up in fancy hats.



Youth Camp

The two middle weeks of July all the schools close for winter break. The first week of our winter break our family was invited to all come to the Youth Conference/Camp which was at a really nice campground not too far from where we live. Scott taught 3 lessons to the youth during the week. I was taking most of the pictures during the camp time which meant I was mostly behind the camera. However someone actually took a photo of me taking pictures. Probably the only proof I have that I was there.

Winter Break

The second week of winter break we took the week to visit several of the local museums. While we were walking to the first museum Joanna saw the Cordoba City Tour Bus. She doesn't remember having ridden on that bus since the last time we took the tour she was a young toddler. They were full that day so we visited other museums. But we went ahead and reserved a spot on top of the bus for the next day. I love when we can make a 6 year old's dream come true.



Ruth's Birthday

Our daughter, Ruth, celebrated her 23rd birthday in July. It's hard to celebrate birthdays from such a distance. My parents video called us and took a picture of us with her and her cake. We miss our grown children but we know God is looking out for them.

93 Year Old Barber

Scott and I were in the city center when we passed a barber shop with an elderly gentleman sitting in a chair. Scott is always on the look out for what he calls a "gray haired barber". His thinking is that someone with gray hair will be more experienced in a more classical style haircut. Scott was long overdue for a haircut so we stopped there to ask. He was a barber and shared that he was 93 years old. He was slow and methodical at cutting Scott's hair which gave him plenty of time to share his history with us. He was a violinist in a band many years ago and has played in many places. He gave Scott a copy of a song he had written many years ago in memory of the Malvinas war he was a part of. In return we gave him a copy of our Gospel of John Book.

Homeschool Co-op

After the winter break began a new semester with our Homeschool Co-op. This semester Scott volunteered to teach a Water Color class for the oldest class. There were a good number of students in the class. His first class covered the different types of water colors and how to use each kind.

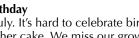
Field Trip

After the co-op classes ended our group went on a field trip to the city Fire Department. We have gotten to see so many fire stations in the U.S. it was a very interesting experience getting to tour an Argentine Fire Station and see some of the differences. The fire fighters did some demonstrations for us and let the children pose for pictures with the fire truck.



Praying for a Place to Meet

We have been praying and looking for a fixed place where we could invite people for Bible Studies. One day Scott found this place and had me take a picture of the sign. It's kind of scary contacting realtors here since we don't know whether they will be open to our having worship services in their building. We decided to put out the fleece and call the realtor. When we went to look at the location and talk over what we are looking for we were pleasantly surprised that the realtor was a Christian and attended church in another part of town. We had several mutual friends and acquaintances with him. The Lord knows what we need when we need it. We put the deposit down for them to hold it for us while we go through the remaining steps toward signing a rental agreement. Thank you so much for your prayers! The Lord is good!







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Baptist Church



Missionaries to Argentina

\$100.00

\$100.00

\$25.00

\$300.00

July 2023 Financial Statement

Alvin MBC **Bethlehem Baptist Church Beulah BC Cleveland MBC 2cks** Eastside BC **Emmanuel MBC Faith Baptist Church** First BC Florence St. BC **Golden Meadows BC** Grandview, BC Landmark BC Mt. Landmark MBC Landmark MBC Landmark MBC 2 cks **Nevills Chapel MBC Nevills Chapel MBC** New Shady Grove BC **Pinehaven BC Piney Grove BC Rocky Branch MBC** Twinland MBC Skyline MBC Sublett Rd. BC--Victory MBC--3 months Walnut St. BC Westwood MBC White Oak BC

Alvin, Tx Science Hill, Ky Lithia. FL Cleveland, TX Jacksonville, TX Bogalusa, LA N. Little Rock, AR Ranson, WV Broken Arrow, Ok Garland, TX Henderson, TX Enterprise, Tx Bogata, TX Athens, Tx West Monroe, La Mt. Pleasant, TX Carthage, TX

Pensacola, FL Somerset, KY Naples, Tx Houston, Tx Madison, AL Arlington, Tx Russellville, AR Hillsboro, TX Winter Haven FI Nancy, Ky

\$65.00 \$250.00 \$200.00 \$179.36 \$150.00 \$100.00 \$100.00 \$300.00 \$30.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 \$372.90 \$500.00 \$147.58 \$49.70 \$150.00 \$125.00 \$100.00 \$180.00 \$50.00 \$1,050.00 \$60.00 \$100.00 \$500.00



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We are thankful for having new English hymn books for singing at the house!

Thank you all so much for your continued prayer and support!

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Total Expenses for the month of July

• Transportation Expenses

- Auto Expenses
 Parking Garage = \$51.66
- Gasoline for car = \$24.71
 Auto Insurance = \$295.88
 Taxi = \$1.56
- Bus = \$0.95
- Housing Expenses = \$256.59 Miscellaneous Expenses
 - Life Insurance = \$79.29
 - Samaritans = \$682 Phone/Internet = \$6.22
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 - Transferring money = \$322.96 Class supplies = \$56.07



Hannah, catching water from the old hot water heater



The famous barber! In his 90's still cutting hair. He has composed and performed music for orchestras all over the world! I am holding an orchestral score that he had given me that he wrote.



The girls inspecting the new hot water heater!

Pray for brother Andrés, (Pictured on the left), and his wife next to him. On July 29th he was ordained! This was my first time to take part in an Argentine ordination! He is a faithful, soul winning man that is both local church only and closed communion! Pray for him and his family as he follows His calling!