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Uruguay

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Dear Ones,

32 years ago today I arrived in Uruguay for the first time. Wow that doesn't seem possible! It doesn't seem like it could possibly be that long on one hand but on the other, it seems like I have always been here. How grateful I am to the Lord for allowing me to serve Him here all of these years. In so many situations over the years I wish I would have known more, handled differently, been of more assistance to believers and unbelievers alike ... been a better servant but how thankful I am for the Lord's continued grace in taking my life and using it to His Glory. What a wonder that He takes sinners such as I and uses us to bring Glory to His Name. What a gracious, Loving God! I am very, very grateful for each of you for standing with me, many of you since the beginning and even before. What a vital part each of you are.

It has been 2 months now since I last wrote. Christmas has come and gone with all of its busyness and opportunities. Thank you for your prayers. The 30 year Anniversary at Cristo es el Camino went great. Good participation of the believers and a good number of folks visiting the three special meetings that were held. There were some that came that visited the church when we first arrived in the neighborhood, yet unbelievers, who came with renewed desires to seek the Lord. It is good to see the Lord working in lives!

We had our first outdoor children's club last week with 27 kids! It was good to have lots of help from the church folks. Good to see them taking it on as their own. We plan to have two more in Feb. after family camp which is next week. We would appreciate your prayers for the Bible Clubs as well as VBS in Feb.

Like I said Camp is next week. There are 60 signed up with the possibility of more. Things are coming together but there are still a lot of decisions and details to work out. Please pray for safety in travel (there are a good number coming from Argentina and Paraguay); safety at camp, especially at the beach; a fun and refreshing time for all; but especially Spiritual impact in each life there. The theme is "Christ in the Tabernacle". Pray for Salvation of those there who still do not know the Savior and growth of the believers.

Thank you for your continued prayers for Iris. Spiritually she is growing and attending church when her health permits. The chemotherapy had been very difficult. Pray for much wisdom for the doctors. Continue to pray for her kids. I have been meeting with her and the three youngest (Luis, Washington, and Kimberly) seeking to help them find Spiritual answers and to respond to their situation Biblically. Not easy. Of course their biggest need is to trust in the Savior during this time!!

Lots more I need you to pray for...Aptas para Servir and the plans for the coming months; upcoming Baptism; the folks in La Union as they continue to grow and serve. I appreciate so much your continued participation in the ministry here. Thank you

Rejoicing in His Grace,

Belinda