## Bomers in Paraguay



Speaking in churches



## Cuties in Florida



Grace and peace to all our supporters and family in Jesus Christ, We are currently in Eastport, NY as we finish up this letter highlighting some of the things that have happened in our lives and the ministry in the country of Paraguay. We are finishing up our Winter/Spring missions conference tour that we've been involved in since the new year. Perhaps we've even had the opportunity to see some of you reading this now. If that is the case, we want to thank you for welcoming us to share our lives and ministry with you. It has truly been a pleasure. I'm always amazed to see how God grows and develops his church here in the US. At times it honestly seems like we hear just as much of a ministry update from our supporting churches, for which we are so grateful and encouraged. Experiencing the Church, The Body of Christ, spread out across the US and hearing of God's work around the world from our fellow missionaries is one of the greatest joys of missionary life. We've made lifelong connections with new friends in old places and reunited with old friends in new places. That is the beauty of being one family in Jesus Christ.

Around the time of our last prayer letter, six months ago, we were in the process of negotiations on a property we had been raising funds to purchase in Ciudad del Este, Paraguay. At that time, we had hopes of buying the space we had been meeting in, with a complete worship center and house on the property. Due to a number of factors, we began to realize with disappointment that our plans for this building weren't going to work out. Our team back in Paraguay began an aggressive search for a new place for Iglesia Biblica Gracia to call home.

Through all the stress and disappointment of the year that was 2020, God was preparing that place for us. Our national pastor, Juan Carlos, got word of a builder near his home who had invested his own time and money into building a commercial space. The builder had run out of money and had no chance of selling the property in Paraguay's current economy. As our team visited the property and began sharing videos with our team members here in the US, we quickly realized the potential of this incomplete warehouse style building. We were looking at a spacious sanctuary with space for classrooms. The price was exactly what we had accrued through fund raising to that point, possibly even from you and your churches. THANK YOU! From there we made the push to raise an extra \$20,000 to see us through the closing process and a roughed in phase one building project. That exact amount was raised in about a month! THANK YOU! We still have about \$20,000 of finishing work to see the project through to completion. Please check out "projects" at gracem.org to see the progress and remaining funds needed for this lasting investment in an area with so much potential.

We were then faced with having to limit the size and structural integrity of our classroom space if we didn't pursue our second phase of the building project at the same time, which included an addition off the back of the existing building. We were amazed to see that as the contributions continued to come in, God had raised enough to see the structure of our phase two project.



















As you can imagine, we are eager to return to Paraguay, especially with all of the good news surrounding the property. The new location will have its advantages for reaching new people as well as being walking distance for children's ministries. We have tickets to return on May 10. We've already had flights cancelled twice and with COVID cases significantly increasing in South America we are expecting difficulties with travel, but optimistic about our return to the people we miss so much. We look forward to developing our current church and ministries, as well as taking on new goals and reaching into new neighborhoods. We plan to do all of this with our national church members partnering with us every step of the way. This verse comes to mind as we look forward to returning: "And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others." 2 Timothy 2:2

## With utmost gratefulness, JERRY, SANDI, ADDI, CLAY AND CORA BOMERS



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"I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD."

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