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SERVING WITH GMI IN PARAGUAY

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"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." — Philippians 1:3-5 (NIV)

Dear beloved brothers and sisters,

Thank you so much for your love, prayers, and support. Even though I have not been able to visit you personally or give each of you a warm hug, God has been doing amazing things through your prayerful support and encouragement. Your partnership with me has sustained me in the ministry here and helped me remain firm in my calling as a missionary. Your faithful support makes my heart overflow with gratitude, and I am honored by the trust you have placed in me.

While my primary ministries continue to be outreach and discipleship, I have been training the media team at Iglesia Biblica Bereana (Berean Bible Church) to lead several areas of our ministry, including our social media and website presence, sound production, and related functions. I thank the Lord that he has provided a member of our church, Fher Ocampo, to lead this ministry and has provided an assistant leader named Paula. While I continue to be involved in a support role, they are doing an excellent job carrying out the many facets of this ministry, and I am very grateful to have them leading this team.

It has been a blessing to be involved as a teacher in our women's ministries, but for 2026, my focus will shift to discipling a woman who will be able to lead the women's group in the future. We recently participated in a women's conference at another church, and it was wonderful to share those moments with our sisters in Christ. This has inspired us to plan our first women's conference at Iglesia Biblica Bereana, where we plan to invite sisters from other churches and also women who do not yet know the Lord. What a beautiful opportunity that will be!

Iglesia Biblica Bereana held its first church-wide Bible Conference last May, and the theme was "The Unity of the Spirit" based on Ephesians 4:1-6. We were blessed with the participation of our dear GMI Director of Operations, Dwayne Huff, and his lovely wife, Tiffany. Our friends Paul and Mariana Craesmeyer and Rich Menconi from Word of Grace Mission were the primary speakers for the conference. It was a precious time studying the Word of God together and enjoying wonderful fellowship, and we are looking forward to next year's conference.

In the La Blanca neighborhood, where we plan to start a new church in the coming year, we continue to host a Saturday morning children's ministry, along with other outreach activities. We are seeing spiritual growth in the children, which has been a beautiful and rewarding blessing. Thanks to your support, Mbarakapu (guitar class) has been going well, and I was able to purchase the supplies we needed for two classrooms, including two whiteboards, which have greatly improved the teaching. The children have developed so much and are almost able to play a song on their own!



VISITING A LOCAL SCHOOL



REPRESENTING GMI AT THE MISSION LEADERS CONFERENCE



CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAM IN LA BLANCA

With the arrival in Paraguay of our new team members, Henry and Grettel Gonzalez, we are beginning Bible studies in this neighborhood. Their arrival has been a great encouragement to us as they help carry the load of ministry here in Paraguay. We are also looking forward to welcoming the Chaves family to our team early next year. These two new families are an exciting addition to our team, and their gifts and enthusiasm will help propel us forward as we plant a new church in this neighborhood.

I am responsible for the women's Bible studies in the La Blanca neighborhood, while the men (Cory Hodgson, Cleiton Menor, and Henry Gonzalez) are leading Bible studies for the men of the community together with Rodrigo Moreno, one of the leaders in training at Iglesia Biblica Bereana. Because Rodrigo is a native Paraguayan, he helps us greatly in connecting with the people in the neighborhood as we prepare to launch a new church there.

In my last letter, I mentioned my desire to begin an evangelistic outreach in an indigenous community outside of the city. Praise God, the **Alcance Hypyty Ministry** (a word in Guarani meaning Outreach Project) has been officially started with the full support and approval of the local chief. We have been blessed with the freedom to develop ministry and outreach projects and, in the future, to plant a church with native leaders from the community itself. This is a very important step, as it represents not only evangelism but also the formation of a genuinely indigenous church, rooted in the local culture. I am very happy for this open door and for all that God has been doing through this new ministry.

This past year has been filled with many invitations and opportunities. I was invited to sing and share messages from God's Word in local schools, and I also participated in a missions conference with more than 300 ministry leaders from all over Paraguay. At this conference, I had the opportunity to introduce people to the work of GMI and share about our ministry here. It was a blessing, as many contacts were made and new doors were opened for the advancement of our work in other regions of the country.

Unfortunately, I contracted Chikungunya several weeks ago, a viral disease common to tropical areas that is transmitted by mosquitoes. Symptoms include fever, joint pain, and itching, which can last for months or even years. It is not contagious between people, but the aftereffects can be challenging. While I have improved some, I am still experiencing a rash, sudden fevers, and much fatigue. I am undergoing treatment and will soon begin physical therapy to prevent symptoms from worsening in my joints.

Please Pray For

- My health and complete recovery
- My upcoming interview to obtain a US visa and the opportunity to visit you
- The women's leadership training
- The planting of the second church in La Blanca
- The new Alcance Hypyty ministry in the indigenous community
- The Bible studies and discipleship with children and adults
- The Christmas projects we have to support our ministries in Paraguay

With much love and gratitude, your sister in Christ,

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**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
IN THE INDIGENOUS
COMMUNITY**



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