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SERVING WITH GMI IN PARAGUAY

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Dear beloved brothers and sisters,

I begin my letter by expressing my deep gratitude for your support and prayers, which have sustained me in my ministry in Paraguay. Your lives are instruments in the hands of the Lord for the advancement of the ministry here. In the following paragraphs, I will share what the Lord has been doing here.

Iglesia Bíblica Bereana (Berean Bible Church)

The work at Berean Bible Church in the city of Presidente Franco continues to bear great fruit. I continue to be involved in the development of leaders for this ministry, providing ongoing support and discipleship to ensure that the church will be self-sustaining in the future. A young man named Fher who has shown great potential, is being trained to take over the media team next year, allowing me to focus on other vital areas of ministry. In addition, a young woman named Lili has taken on the role of our children's ministry director. We are very grateful for her dedication and effort in this important ministry. It is exciting to see the growth of our community and their increasingly deep understanding of their role in the body of Christ.

Women's Bible Study

Leading the women's Bible studies has been a blessing! I have worked hard to make these gatherings warm and welcoming so the women feel secure in sharing and asking for help when needed. It is wonderful to see how we can support each other and grow together in Christ through the Word of God. In addition to leading the study, I walk with each sister in the church, offering continuous encouragement and support. It's beautiful to witness how God has been working in their lives through these gatherings. Love and care are demonstrated through this and I have already seen many positive changes in their lives.

Mbarakapu – Guitar Classes

I have started a ministry called Mbarakapu, which means "sound of the guitar" in the native language. These classes are becoming a powerful tool for evangelism, providing a safe environment for children and youth to learn not only how to play the guitar but also Christ-centered songs. We are seeing an increasing number of parents interested in guitar lessons which is extremely rewarding as it represents an opportunity to share the gospel with entire families.



OUR BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH FAMILY



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



MBARAKAPU GUITAR CLASS

Ministry in La Blanca Neighborhood in Ciudad del Este

The Mitãguera Aty (Children's Club) held on Saturdays after guitar classes, continues to be one of the highlights of our ministry. Many children knew only violence and abandonment before coming to our club, but now they are experiencing the love and teaching of Christ. They are growing with each meeting and we are noticing the change in their lives.

Friday Bible Studies

With fellow GMI team members Cleiton and Vivi Menor visiting the United States for several months I have been leading the Friday evening Bible study, providing continued support for this weekly gathering. We are training local leaders to lead the studies in the future, and I work closely with GMI teammate, Cory Hodgson, to ensure our teaching is Biblically and doctrinally sound. This role has been challenging but incredibly enriching, requiring careful attention to theology and discipleship.

Costa Rica Visit

This fall we had two couples from our GMI-affiliated church in Costa Rica visit us for two wonderful weeks. Our brothers and sisters from Costa Rica, Henry and Grettel Gonzales and Juan and Lucrecia Chaves plan to join the ministry here in Paraguay in 2025 and eventually work with GMI to begin ministries in other countries in southern South America. It was an incredible experience sharing precious moments with them and witnessing their genuine desire to serve the Lord in Paraguay.

Prayer Requests

I have been having severe headaches and some other health concerns over the past several months. Please pray for healing so I can continue to serve with the energy and focus needed. Also, please keep our team and ministries in your prayers, as God continues to use us to make a difference in many lives here.

I am immensely grateful for each of you. Your partnership in prayer and support brings comfort and joy, knowing that we are in this together. Throughout this year we have reached many important milestones and are preparing to continue expanding our ministries in the new year. We are confident that the Lord will guide us as we seek to grow and expand the reach of the gospel of the grace of God for His glory. Every moment here has been a rich experience and knowing that you are walking alongside us and supporting us with love and prayer strengthens the bond we share in Christ.

With love in Christ,

Tati Faria

“Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord’s work, knowing that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” 1 Corinthians 15:58



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**FRIDAY EVENING
BIBLE STUDY**



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