

Paraguay Missions

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GENERAL MINISTRIES

During the past two months, I have asked you in the prayer section of our newsletter to pray specifically for two areas, the town of Quyquyho and the town of Maria Antonia. Quyquyho is located about 70 km from the camp and Maria Antonia is about 20 km further. Both these communities are places where we are trying to begin two more missions.

I have visited Quyquyho several times and this past week visited Maria Antonia for the first time. I am heading to these two towns again today.

Quyquyho has a general population of about 6,000 people. It is a crossroads community to several other towns in which everyone has to pass through on their way to any major city. It currently has one evangelical church which is not functioning well as the pastor is there only a couple of days each month.

La Colonia Maria Antonia is further inland from Quyquyho. It has a general population of 5,000-8,000 people. As far as we have been able to investigate, there is not a single evangelical church in the area.

In both communities, we have been welcomed. Today and tomorrow we will be making contacts with local leaders of the communities such as the mayor, police, schools etc. as well as any Christian families we can find. Both communities have a large number of schools which translates to a large number of children and youth. Both Communities also have local radio stations which we are permitted to use. Please continue to pray for these two towns as we begin to work and share the gospel.

Gwen's Notes

On February 16th Dan and I celebrated our 25th Anniversary. I thank the Lord for my wonderful husband and the adventures we have faced together. We went away for 3 days and spent 1 1/2 of that with a former neighbor and friend from when we lived in the south of Paraguay. Our friend is going through a time of crisis and he needed to talk to Dan. We went with him to visit a few of our former neighbors. It was fun talking about old times and experiences. One of our former neighbors, Natuni is an independent strong woman of 79 who still milks 5 cows by hand every day. She had some good stories about my boys that I had never heard before. She invited us to come back for Easter and she would kill one of her pigs. She was so proud to tell us that she now has electricity, running water and a bathroom indoors. I was very happy for her because those were only dreams I had when I lived next door to her.

This weekend is a weekend of good-byes. Kyle has had his friend Matthew here for 3 weeks and he heads home on Saturday. It has been fun having him around and we will see him again in July.

On Monday David, Patricia, Camilo, Francisco and Carla, who have been here for 10 weeks will be heading back to Chile. The Lord has opened ministry doors for them that we didn't even imagine. They have been very busy with David preaching evangelistic campaigns and local services. They have had a lot of people come to them for counseling and prayer. Even at the District Convention for the Central Area one of our Pastors was thanking the Lord for David. Pastor Lucio told the convention how God blessed his local church through a special service that David came to preach. I know that many were touched by their lives in this short time and will be staying in contact with them. We pray a special prayer for this ministry family as they make their preparations to be Missionaries to Africa.

Praises and Prayer

Prayer Requests:

Please continue to pray for our leadership. The evidence of your prayers is seen daily in our lives. Thank you.

National Ministry Retreat is April 8-9, 2010. Its focus is on Pastors and families and National Leaders and families.

National Convention is April 10-11.

The country of Chile. I am sure you have all heard about the devastating earthquakes in Chile. You can follow a lot of the information on their web page. Please pray daily for our churches in Chile.

1st Timothy 4:12

Let no one despise your youth.

What great youth we have to work with.

We are blessed.

Praise the Lord for God's faithfulness. One of our setbacks in ministry here is probably one of the same problems that churches all over the world face. It is a problem that has existed for about 2,000 years and Jesus himself also addressed it. "The harvest is great, but the workers are few."

We need willing workers. About two months ago, one of the local pastors in-

formed me that he had a young man that was wanting to come and work with me in all areas of our ministry. Two weeks ago we were finally able to meet and this past week, Angel Escobar has begun working with us.

Angel is 18 years old, comes from the town of San Lorenzo and Pastor Lucio Benitez's church. He has a desire to learn and a hunger

for understanding what the Lord is calling him to do. At the moment he is not sure if it is evangelism or becoming a pastor.

He will be helping us in Quyuqyho and Maria Antonia as we work to establish these two new missions as well as around the camp.

Please pray for Angel as he seeks the Lord's will and desire for his life.

National Youth Fun Day - volley, soccer and fellowship



The youth leaders asked me for a day after the youth retreat where we could just hang out and reconnect. They suggested this beautiful park that I had never been to before. We had somewhere between 80-90 youth in total and a great day!





Classes have started back again! This year the kids are divided evenly with 9 attending in the morning and 9 attending in the afternoon. The kids are so excited to be back to class that they have even testified about it at church!

Patty has started high school this year and so now we have 4 in high school.

Here Public School up to grade 6 and High School is grades 7-12.

Rocio is in grade 12 and so we are starting to discuss how to help our first graduate continue her education in University. Rocio wants to be an accountant. This summer she had to do an internship at an Accounting office as part of her accounting program in high school. When the internship was over the Accountant asked Dan if Rocio could continue on with her for a few more weeks and she paid Rocio's bus fare and meals. We were very proud of Rocio that she had done such a good job and won the confidence of her boss.

As of this month we will have 10 out of the 18 children 12 years old and up. Completing "12" is a big deal for the kids because then they can go to Youth with Kyle on Saturday nights. My kids are growing up!!!

We have some projects in the works for the kids that I will let you know about in the next newsletter. We feel so blessed because one of the projects is through the Ministry of Children's office again. I hate to leave you hanging but since they haven't called yet to have us sign the agreement we would like to wait to tell you until it is official. I will take lots of pictures.

Children's home pictures



The morning group having prayer before heading to school.



Rocio our future Accountant



Matthew enjoying the rough life!



Kyle allowing the girls to bury him in the sand box.



The afternoon group heading to school with Kyle and Mathew.



If you have been here you have met Rosa the cook from the home. This is her beautiful new granddaughter named Rocio Luhnann.

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Final Thoughts



Donation Information as follows:

For the purpose of tax receipts and benefits, each individual will need to make their donations in every form (Checks or cash) payable to their local church. Please do not send any donations in our names or payable in our names. Please do not send any donations directly to us in Paraguay. All donations need to go through our local church for accountability purposes.

Each local Church will then mail a check for the total amount payable to **The Collingwood Church Of God Of Prophecy**. On a separate note, please write "Paraguay Support" along with any pertinent information (ie. Miller Family, Children's Home, etc). We ask that you would mail your checks no later than the fifteenth day of each month so that the Collingwood Church is able to process your support and transfer it to Paraguay no later than the 25th of each month.

Some Churches may choose to send several months or one year at a time rather than send a check each month. If that is your choice, please also send a letter with your check explaining that to our treasurer. You are welcome to do that with our thanks.

If you are not able to donate through a local church or wish to donate through a different avenue, please contact me to see what options are available.

Please continue to pray for travelling safety for us. Dan and I will be heading to Pedro Juan Caballero for the Convention of the North. Dan is preaching at the convention and I have a time on the program and would like to start plans for a camping trip for the North Area for the winter vacation while I am there. Dan is also travelling several times a month to Quayquyho and Maria Antonia.

Blessings,

The Miller Family