



Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

January 18, 2019

Happy New Year from our family to yours! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season with family and friends!

Trip to the States

Due to Kelsi's recent miscarriage, family members in the states wanted us back for the holidays. They purchased tickets for us to spend a month in the United States for Christmas and the New Year. It was a time of refreshing for us as we were able to spend time with family and church family alike. We also took the time to see our grandparents, who are getting older and dealing with several problems. We returned to Argentina on January 11 refreshed and ready to resume what God has called us to do.

House Search

Now that the holidays are passed and 2019 is here, we have begun searching more earnestly for a house in Corrientes. We aren't sure why, but it seems like there are many options right now. We've done a lot of searching on the internet. There are a few things we are praying about and looking for in a house. Our current house has only two bedrooms, thus leaving the living room as the only option for my office. Working and studying has been very difficult with a little person around. We are hoping for at least three bedrooms in order to make one an office. The most important thing we are considering in the search is safety. Crime in Argentina can be a big problem, so we are looking for a place that will grant us some security. This is mainly a concern for the times I have to leave my wife and son at home. Please pray with us as we seek to make wise decisions in this area.

Another concern at this time is that there has been a lot of flooding in Corrientes and the surrounding areas as of late. They have evacuated over 3,000 people and four lives have been lost. So we are seeking the Lord as to when would be the best time for us to take another trip up there to check things out and prepare. This may be another event that God can use to soften hearts.

Conference Prep

As mentioned in our previous letter, we will be hosting a counselors conference in June. While we were in the states, we were able to meet with our speaker, Pastor Rick Carter, to iron out some more details. Since our return, I have been busy assembling a packet of information to mail to all of the churches. I have also been translating some of the material that Brother Carter will be using into Spanish. Translation work is very time consuming. God has also blessed with others who are willing to read over and edit the material for me.

We are thankful to have a venue reserved for the conference. This is a large load off our shoulders. Please continue to pray for these preparations.

Our Family

The three of us are doing well. As I mentioned before, we feel refreshed from our short time in the states.

Lukas will be three next month. We can't believe how quickly time is going by! Kelsi will resume her Spanish lessons via internet with my mother next week. She is able to communicate in Spanish more and more. Next month, she has the opportunity to attend a ladies conference 10 hours away. Since I won't be there, she will be on her own as far as the language goes. But, she is excited for the opportunity to practice more and will be attending with other Argentine women she knows.

Prayer Requests

- For those affected by the flooding in Corrientes and the surrounding areas
- That God would give us wisdom in our house search
- For the continued preparations for the counselors conference in June

In His Service,
David W Martin and Family



God allowed us to see my grandfather Milton Martin while in the states. He worked in Mexico for over 40 years.



Our Lukas turns 3 next month! He enjoyed a little birthday party with family before our return.

