



DAVID, KELSI & LUKAS
THE MARTIN FAMILY
MISSIONARIES TO ARGENTINA



Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

February 5, 2021

Happy 2021 from Corrientes, Argentina! We hope you all had an amazing holiday season with family and friends.

Return to Argentina

God allowed us to return to the country of Argentina in December. All things considered, it went very smoothly. Only God can orchestrate that. We were concerned that our COVID-19 test results would not come in time for our flight, but they came just in time, and praise the Lord, they were negative.

We were also concerned that there would be problems with Argentina customs on arrival. While stuck in the states, our visas expired. However, because the offices were still closed when we arrived, the customs agents were very understanding of our situation and allowed us to enter without problems. We were surprised that they did not require us to quarantine.

Getting back to Corrientes was a bit harder, but with the help of our landlord Jorge who has a travel agent friend, we were able to obtain the proper permissions to travel with our car back to the province of Corrientes.

We found our house and belongings safe and untouched. This is a big praise! There were some small concerns that the house would get burglarized. We were not quite sure what we would be walking into. The next days were filled with cleaning and organizing. Since the house was closed up for more than nine months, there was dust and evidence of animals.

Ministry Update

Another praise is that we have not found the COVID situation to be of much hindrance at the moment. We are able to go out freely and pass out tracts and talk to people on the streets. We can also have people in our home with no problems.

Since our return, the Lord has allowed us to have several people into our home. We have found this to be the most effective way to form good relationships here in Argentina.

Kelsi met Debora at a coffee shop before we left for the states, and they kept in touch while we were gone. She has expressed interest in a Bible study, so please pray about that. We were able to have Debora and her son Franco in our home and were able to share the gospel with them.

Since our return, we have also been able to form a relationship with one of our neighbors and his family. We have had the opportunity to share the gospel with them, as well. They've been to our house and have invited us to theirs. Pray for Chicle and Natalia. Kelsi is going out for coffee with Natalia on the 9th. Pray for more opportunities to show them the love of Christ and to win them for him.

You will probably remember Pedro and Nancy from previous letters. We have been able to keep in touch with them through this time, and we are hoping to get together with them again soon. They have had some medical issues in their family and have been unable to meet up. However, communication is intact, so we hope to be able to meet soon.

Right now, we are searching for the key to winning Argentina for Christ. We have not seen great results from passing out literature. The best results so far have been from forming good relationships. So, to form more, we have begun to offer English classes to the community. We are hoping this will allow us to meet more people and witness to them from there.

This is venture is recent, so as of yet, we have not started the classes. However, we are trying to spread the word and get the classes off to a start. Please pray that this effort would be fruitful.

Family News

We find ourselves in need of another house yet again. Due to some changes on the part of our landlords, we will not be able to stay in our current house when the contract ends in June. Please pray for us as we make these changes, and that God would provide us with the house he wants for us.

We are thrilled to shared with you that Kelsi is expecting! As you may know, we have two babies in Heaven. However, things seem to be going well for now, so please pray with us that this continues. Lukas is excited and so are we!

Prayer Requests

- For more opportunities to share the gospel
- For the relationships we have been able to form; that God would help us be a light.
- For our house search
- For Kelsi's pregnancy, that she and the baby would continue in health.

In Christ,
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"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts:
and be ready always to give an answer to every
man that asketh you a reason of the hope that
is in you with meekness and fear"

I Peter 3:15