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We are celebrating our first Christmas as a family since arriving in Argentina. The best way to describe Christmas time for those of you in the US, it is very similar to a hot and sweaty 4th of July. We are in the Summer months here in Argentina where most days get up in the 90's, children are out of school, and water activities are popular in December (What would really work here is "Christmas in July").

The main focus is more on Christmas Eve than Christmas Day. For most people, Christmas is about getting together with family and friends and having a big "asado" which is a traditional Argentine barbecue. As midnight approaches, the sky will be lit up with fireworks as Argentines welcome Christmas Day. Typically, they will not give gifts on Christmas Day but sleep and relax from staying up all night on Christmas Eve. The day for giving gifts is January the 6th which is called, "Dia de los Reyes" or "Wisemen's Day" as they remember the wisemen giving gifts to Baby Jesus.

We are always looking for opportunities to present the Gospel and Christmas time is a wonderful time for that. People tend to be more open

and willing to hear about spiritual things. We are excited for what the Lord will do in this country! Merry Christmas to you from sunny Argentina!



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