

The Saints

SHARING THE LOVE OF GOD IN CHILE

January-February 2019

Dear Prayer Partners,

Thank you for your faithful support for our ministry and for laboring with us through your prayers. These last few months have been somewhat of a struggle, but we trust God is working even when we can't always see it. Please allow us to share some praises and some prayer requests.

Church attendance was way down in January and February. It's discouraging to look at the numbers and realize we had less attendance this year than last year, when we just started. We pray that God will help the Christians to grow and be faithful to church and be witnesses for Him. We also pray that the lost will be saved. The good news is our first Sunday in March saw many of our people back in church with promises to come more regularly!

The city still hasn't granted permission for the sale of the **church property**. That shouldn't surprise us because this is Chile, but we pray that maybe we'll get it soon. There are 180 low income houses just opened up 100 yards from the church property, and apartment buildings right across the road opened up a few weeks ago. The neighborhood is growing, and we'd love for everyone to know there is a place where they can hear and learn about Jesus.

We had some first time visitors recently. Pedro and Olga are in their upper 60s or lower 70s. They live near Coni, and she invited them to church. They were raised Southern Baptist and were looking for a church, so they came to visit and promised to be back! Pedro also happens to have experience with getting building additions approved by the city, which might come in handy when we get ready to add on to the church property. We hope to soon have some time to sit down with them and see how we can help them in their walk with the Lord.

We also ask that you pray for an opportunity we might have to minister in a city about five hours away. That's further than we'd like to travel, but Nathan would drive Friday afternoon to be there for discipleship and doctrinal teaching Friday evening. Saturday morning would be a church service and maybe some visitation, and then Nathan would drive back for Saturday evening visitation in San Pedro, where we live. This city wouldn't even be on our radar except for the fact that we recently met a missionary who started a church in this city some years ago. He turned the church over to a national pastor and moved far away to work in another city. The national pastor unfortunately led the church astray and scattered the flock. Some of the families are still looking and praying for a gospel preaching church in their town. Currently, the closest church we could locate that isn't Pentecostal, Catholic, Mormon, or JW is about 45 minutes away. Nothing has been decided yet, as we are still trying to meet with those families who want a gospel preaching church, but we'd ask you to pray for wisdom.

Please also pray for **Alexis, Marcela, Pepe**, and his adult daughter, **Christina**. These are people we've met on visitation or at the store who have expressed a real interest in studying the Bible and/or coming to church.

God has been good to us and blessed us in more ways than we can describe. We are also excited to announce the arrival of Baby Saint #3 around August 12th.

Thank you again for all you do for our Lord,

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Ministry Goals:

- Evangelize the lost
- Equip the believers
- Establish NT churches

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