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Dear Friends,

Every day is a new day that I must rely on the Lord for His grace. He is good even though life can be tough, but we continue to trust in His faithfulness. Thanks so much for your prayers, love and support during this continued journey.

Life Christian Center- Autonomous Church/New Ministries



The church is maturing, and we are thankful to the Lord for this past year. On February 5th our church became an autonomous as a part of the Union

of the Assemblies of God in Argentina. It has been a joy to form new leaders for our life groups as well as ministry leaders for our ministries: music, audio visual, hospitality, evangelism, *Club Vida Children's Ministry*, and *Café Vida*. We are excited to see them growing and taking on new challenges each day. This past year we have started a ministry called *Life Club* for adolescents between the ages of 7-14 as well as a local Bible institute through the church with almost 10 students in our first semester of classes. Another tremendous blessing for our church body has been the *Marriage for Life* group that was begun this past year. Four couples have completed the course, and we will currently have 5 new couples with 2 couples leading the group. It is wonderful to see the restoration and growth occurring in our couples!

On March 26th, we were thrilled to baptize 5 young men who have recently come to Jesus. It was thrilling to hear the testimonies of what God has done in their lives. The church also celebrated their 4-year anniversary with a Missions Convention and Faith Promise commitments for almost \$700 a month.

New Church Planting in Las Lomitas Formosa

We are excited for a new church plant in Las Lomitas, Formosa that was launched in July of last year. The church is currently meeting in a home and we hope to purchase a piece of property this year. It has been wonderful to see the synergy of working together with other churches, the Bible School and other ministries from Argentina who are also supporting the work in Las Lomitas. We need each other and are much stronger together in the work of the Lord.

One of our goals and desires as a church is to help plant a new church each year. We are praying for where God will open the doors for this year. Thanks for believing the Lord with us. Our church will be sending a missions team to help later this year knowing it will encourage both our church body and help with the new church planting and that they will come back more on fire for Jesus!

Leadership Seminar Pastors and Leaders- February 2017

We were privileged to



host two pastors from Argentina, as well as Pastor Jim Cymbala, from Brooklyn Tabernacle in New York ministering in two afternoon workshops and ministry services in the evening.

We had 10 churches participate which was exciting as well as the Bible Institute sending a van of students. Our vision and burden is that these meetings will be an encouragement and serve as training to national pastors and leaders.

Church Planting Network



We are working to promote the Red de Plantadores, which is aimed at providing training, investigation and materials for church planting. The discipleship materials **SIGUEME: La Invitación de Jesucristo (Follow Me: The Invitation of Jesus Christ)** and **Primeros Pasos (First Steps)**, by Daniel McNaughton and myself, are discipleship books with many resources to train spiritual coaches and guide new believers coming to Christ. We are grateful that they are being used in Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, Chile, Paraguay and Argentina.

We are excited that **El ADN de la Plantación de Iglesias (The DNA of the Church Planting)**, the guide we wrote for training church planters book has been released. A version of the book is being used by the Bible School Extension Ministry for church planting, and a complete version of the book with stories and struggles with the churches planted, photos and action questions is now being used by the external Bible schools. I was also able to teach this book for the first time to over 18 students at IBRP during the first week of February. We believe for many more church planters to be raised up!



In April, we traveled to Mexico, Costa Rica and

Paraguay, talking about discipleship and church planting as well as promoting the books that we have available. The materials were well received. Thanks for praying for God to open the doors.

Editorial Doxan Our editorial (found at www.doxan.org) continues to grow. These books were presented at a Feria de Libros in Buenos Aires in July as well as the National Convention of the UAD. Soon to be released is **ANIMO!, Cartas de Aliento a los Timoteos de Hoy (Courage! Letters of Encouragement to the Timothy's of Today)**, with a biography of Ellen's life, her devotionals, photos of her artwork, as well devotionals that we sent to the pioneers for over 13 years.

Family News

We are so happy for Stephen and Courtney who got married on October 23rd and are living in Buenos Aires and doing well. Thanks for praying for them.



Stephen continues to work with Community of Faith from Houston, Texas. Christopher recently moved to states. He has the possibility to attend a graduate program. Thanks for praying for him. Also, last July my mom had some health issues, which ended up putting her in the hospital for 52 day in the Intensive Care Unit in Buenos Aires. My mom was moved to my sister's house, end of December, and each day she is doing much better. Praise the Lord! Thanks for your prayers for her. He will be working with the MK Program again this summer. We are praying for God to open the right doors.

Upcoming Ministry

June- Ministry Team at our church in Buenos Aires from Glad Tidings Church Reading PA

July- Ministry Team helping to plant a new church in Galvez, Santa Fe with Greg Hubbard and New Day Church Springfield MA

September- I will be teaching Church Planting at the Bible School located in Cordoba

It's great to be serving the Lord and His work in Argentina. Thanks again for your prayers and continued support!

**Yours in His Service,
Rocco**

New Church Planting and Evangelism



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