

...SERGIO AND ANDREA DUARTE

FRAY BENTOS – URUGUAY

Ladies Retreat

October 8-10 the ladies had their annual retreat. Praise the Lord for good attendance and for a blessed time of fellowship and relaxation. Missionary Belinda Spillman was the main speaker, and her challenges from God's Word touched the ladies' hearts. Andrea was involved in leading the meetings as well as helping with the music and with a devotional. The ladies retreats have been a rich source of encouragement and spiritual growth to the women through the years. We are thankful to our God for the opportunity to have a part in this area of ministry.

Pastor's Tour

October 13-16 five pastors from different churches in the States came down on a survey trip lead by pastor Bill Park from our mission. Their goal was to visit Uruguay, Argentina, and Chile and to see several of the works in these countries. While in Uruguay Sergio had the opportunity to provide transportation and driving to the different churches here.

Two of these pastors were from our supporting churches: Pastor Dave West from Lakeland Baptist Church in Crandon, WI; and Pastor Guy Glass from Calvary Baptist Church in Pemberton, NJ.

We praise the Lord for the time together and how God used their lives to encourage our hearts.

THANK YOU pastors, and may we see you again! ***Would you also consider coming and visiting us on the mission field?***

“Avanzada Pastoral”

October 26-29 a Tri-Country Pastor-Missionary Conference took place in Uruguay. This is the 3rd year our mission sponsors this special time together as co-laborers with the purpose to challenge and stir our hearts through the teaching and preaching of God's Word. Around eighty pastors/missionaries from Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay came, and we had a great time of fellowship, prayer for one another, and ministry reports

of the fields. These conferences have really brought us together and helped us to have a broader view of the Lord's work.



Furlough

It has been very hard to find a replacement to carry on with the ministry here while we go on furlough. The Protos (a Missionary family on deputation to come to Uruguay and team up with us in the work) has committed to take two months out of their busy schedule to cover for us during December and January. But we could not find any one else that was available for February and March. We were seriously considering canceling our whole trip. We had mixed feelings, because we really need and desire to visit and report to our churches, but we did not feel we could leave the ministry by itself for two months.

Just this past Friday, God open a door for a Pastor and his wife to come and minister in Fray Bentos and Young for the remaining time. This has been a tremendous answer to prayer, but due to the short amount of time we have to prepare everything for the trip and we covet your prayers. We are still looking for tickets to Miami, FL. Praise the Lord we have a vehicle we can use during our furloughing time, and now I am in the process of contacting all of our supporting pastors.

Prayer Requests

- ✓ Continue praying for souls to come to Christ. We have had some visitors come both in Fray Bentos and in Young, please pray for: Juan and Berta, Andrea, and Emilia.
Also, this past Monday, we attended a funeral of an elderly lady that she was a member of our church. I was asked to preach, so I shared the Gospel with her family and friends. Please pray for their salvation.
- ✓ Mariano, Becky, and Enzo Proto will be traveling the first days on December. Pray for safety and for a profitable time ministering here.
- ✓ Pray for pastor Mario and Mary Chiliz who will be serving the Lord here during February and March.
- ✓ Please pray for us as we have MANY details to cover: tickets, scheduling, kids' schooling, etc. Pray for strength and guidance. Lord willing our target date to fly out is around December 9th. Our plan is to visit all 24 supporting churches in a 3 month period, so the schedule will be packed full.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND YOUR CARE FOR OUR FAMILY AND MINISTRY.

Serving Him Who is Faithful,
The Duarte Family