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Uruguay

Dear Ones,

Greetings from Temuco, Chile. In my last letter I ask you to pray for a lady's conference I was scheduled to teach here for the wives of national pastors and missionaries. It went great. It ran from Thursday evening to Sunday morning. About 35 ladies attended with willing teachable hearts. Many hours were dedicated to teaching and workshops to learn Inductive Bible Study. What a joy to see them work hard to learn and apply. I am grateful for the privilege of investing in the lives of these ladies and by extension their ministries.

Right now, I am at a Bible Institute for Chilean nationals. They have about 20 full time students and a good number of part time as well. I was able to teach the ladies a couple evenings. It is great to see these young people preparing to serve.

I return to Uruguay on Saturday to a busy schedule. FEBU finishes the end of the month with final exams. I still have several papers that need to be graded to finish out the year. This Summer I will be preparing for the "Women in Ministry" course I'll teach next semester. Thanks for praying.

There is still about a month to go to finish out the year for the grade school where I teach English. Please continue to pray for open doors and opportunities with the kids, parents and school staff.

Three months ago, or more the neighbors in the house behind me moved. We share the same entryway into the property. We prayed that the Lord would bring just the right folks to live there. Nancy moved in about 3 weeks ago. We were surprised when she expressed a desire and came to the kids' Bible club that we have in my back patio. As she left, she stated, "I'm going to continue coming." Pray for her salvation and that through her I would be able to get to know more folks. Nancy knows lots of people in town both through living there for many, many years and through working at the San Jacinto Meat Packing Plant for over 30 years which is the main source of employment in town.

Christmas always brings lots of opportunities. We are planning some simple things with our kids Bible clubs; special songs and crafts for the kids with the idea of getting to know the parents. On Nov. 24th we have a ladies meeting in Tala. As you think of these 3 towns, San Jacinto, Tala and San Ramon, would you pray specifically that God would bring people to us that He has prepared and are open to hear and respond to the Gospel.

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Also, I know the folks at the little church I attend on Sunday, Monte Hebron, would appreciate your prayers. On December 1 they will be having the last ladies meeting of the year. What is special there is that Lilian will be teaching. She took the teachers' training course I taught last year. She has been diligent in applying what she learned teaching in the children's ministry. And this will be the second time she teaches the ladies. It is exciting to see the church folks growing and reaching out to others. They are also planning a special Christmas activity with the children with the idea to reach out to the parents and neighbors.

I continue to have Bible Studies with Mariela, Marcela and Eugenia. God has clearly worked in Mariela's life bringing peace as she returned to the Lord after years of trying her own way. Marcela (San Ramon) is understanding more and more, but still needs to make a decision for the Lord. Eugenia (San Jacinto) knows the Lord but has some very difficult family situations. I know she would appreciate your prayers. Thanks for praying specifically for these three ladies.

The Lord is Good. With a grateful heart for so many blessings, I send you my love this morning.

Belinda