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Dear Ones,

Thank you so much for your prayers in these uncertain times. The cases of COVID19 have increased here in Uruguay, even one case here in my little town. As I am sure all over, people are unsure as to how to proceed.

We had planned to conduct the Bible College in person, but due to the increase in cases the leadership decided, at least for the month of August, to continue having classes via zoom. This will be reevaluated the end of the month. I mentioned earlier that I will be teaching this semester. There are five ladies taking the Women's Discipleship course. Thank you for praying for me as I prepare and for all six of us as we seek to live God's truth. My first class is August 7th.

I, of course with all that is happening, am not teaching English at the school. I had mentioned that it had been partially open, and they had hoped to continue with more days of classes. But again, there is uncertainty with the new cases. It does not look like there is much possibility that I will be teaching this school year.

Some of the churches here have been able to return to in person services. Many, depending on differing circumstances, have not. We, Monte Hebron church, continue to meet via zoom. Our meeting room there is very small and several of the folks have health problems. We are thankful that we can "meet" in this way. We are able to see each other, converse, sing and hear God's Word.

My coworkers, Tim and Kari are in the States right now until October. We are thankful they were able to go, it was pretty touch and go for awhile since planes were not flying in or out of Uruguay. In a few minutes I will be going to their house to make sure all is well and also would like to visit at least one of their neighbors. The COVID19 situation also makes it difficult to know who to visit since many folks are fearful and not wanting visitors. That is true if in Tala, San Jacinto, or San Ramón. I do appreciate your prayers, in light of this, to know how and when to make visits.



Virginia is back in the Hospital. She has a hematoma in the area where they removed her kidney. She is scheduled to have it drained on Friday. This has been a long process; on Friday it will be four weeks. The Lord has given them much grace. Thank you for continuing to pray.

For over 60 years Ruth along with her husband Samuel, faithfully served her Savior. As many of you know I worked with them for close to 35 years. I look back and think of the many things I learned from Ruth. How thankful I am for her sweet Godly example. After weeks

and months of severe pain, on July 10, Ruth went to be with her Savior! What a joyous moment! Ruth was 86 when she passed away; she came to know the Lord as Savior when she was just 6 years old. Oh, the certainty of hope!!

Sam and Ruth had been married 63 years. While he rejoices that she is at Home, I know he would appreciate your prayers.

Thank you so much for your part in reaching Uruguay. May the Lord richly bless you as you serve Him where He has placed you.

Rejoicing in the Certainty of Hope,

Belinda