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Dear Ones,

Happy Easter! What a wonderful time of the year to rest in the Lord's goodness to us in sending His Son to die for our sins and to rise again the third day. I love the songs of Easter; what a joy to rejoice with the saints as we remember our risen Lord.

"He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said." Mateo 28:6

Yesterday we had a wonderful time rejoicing with 3 different churches plus some of the contacts we have here in San Jacinto. Since the days are still nice, we were able to have a picnic at my coworkers' with about 50 present.

Virginia and her 10 year old son were able to go. Benja (Benjamin) has gone to our kids' activities off and on for some time now and Virginia has come to some of our special events. I had a wonderful visit with her last week and we plan to begin studying the Word together. She is open and desires to know more. Pray for the salvation of both of them.

Since I last wrote I have started back up with the Ladies internet classes on the Gospels. A good number join us on line and others by way of the recordings I make of the class. Pray for these ladies as they grow in Grace and in serving their local churches.

The Bible College has started up again. I have a group of 23 ladies in my Women's Discipleship class. This is what we call an "open class", which means that ladies can take the class without formally being a part of the college. Our desire is that this be a means for FEBU to have part in edifying the local church. Of the 23, eight are regular students. The ladies live in different parts of Uruguay as well as four are from Argentina. Pray as I teach, and for each of us, the ladies and myself, as we learn and grow together.

There are still plans to start up the by-monthly online meetings for the ladies in ministry (especially pastor's wife). As you recall there were several ladies participating in that before I left for the States last year, and some have expressed interest in getting back together. We read and share a book together and also discuss topics that are unique to their lives and ministries. Please pray that the Lord will guide as we seek to start up again.

How about here in San Jacinto? I've already told you about Virginia and Benja. I am also studying with Nelva, my neighbor. It has not been easy since she has a schedule that is continually changing so she has not wanted to commit to a specific time or day. A week can go by when we are not able to meet and study. Pray too for her Salvation. Another one that I would ask you to pray for is Silvia as well as her husband Miguel and son Rafael. Silvia has been coming to the meetings on Friday night. She seems to soak in the teaching of the Word then goes home and tells her husband. My coworkers Tim and David are seeking a time to be able to study with Miguel.

Please pray for the Friday night meetings here in San Jacinto. There are three others that attend, not every Friday but they do come: Luisa, Vicky (Luisa's 15 year old granddaughter) and Eugenia. We have been praying and have started looking for a place to rent for the church. We are asking the Lord for just the right

location and also for a building with all that we will need for the meetings, kids' activities and also for the youth activities. Pray as we continue to make contacts with folk here in town and the surrounding areas, that the Lord will bring people to Himself and build His church

One last thing, our annual ladies retreat is in a couple of weeks. We are expecting from 50 to 70 ladies. Pray for those teaching (I will not be this time around.), the organization, and just for sweet fellowship for these ladies. There will be some that come who do not know the Lord.

May you have a blessed day tomorrow celebrating our Risen Lord.

Thank you. You are a vital part of what the Lord is doing here

Serving together,

Belinda