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Dear brothers and sisters at Pine Grove Bible Church

How wonderful to know God, who has been, continues to be and will always be, with us, and also that He knows us, called us and cares for us constantly, and in spite of us wants us to be with Him forever.

This has been a busy month as we planned for the details of <u>our trip</u> to New Jersey where we will stay the last two weeks of August at the CMML home, and then on to Canada for September and October. We will be together with the Russell clan for a few days for the first time since our younger sister, Phyllis went to be the Lord on May 1. None of us were able to be with her family at that time. Join us in **PRAYER**, for this family time and also for visits to other family members and assemblies.



In July we celebrated <u>Father's Day</u> with a special evangelistic event aimed at the families of the children's activities. It was very well attended by several not-yet-saved fathers. We <u>PRAY</u> that the Word would take root and bring fruit for salvation and God's glory.

We had also mentioned the <u>winter camps</u> at El OMBU in Mercedes. The weather was cold but the fellowship was warm and everyone came back happy.

Last letter we mentioned some unplanned <u>evangelistic events</u>, which were funerals. July kept up the opportunities. First was a <u>minor accident</u> at the corner where we live. A racing motorcycle collided our rear door. Thankfully he wasn't hurt! As we spoke with the teenager, Eunice started sharing the gospel with him. Then we had two <u>weddings</u> – they were planned! May God be glorified in these lives; that they would live out the biblical principles of marriage and family before families and friends.

We **thank** the Lord for elders and "associates" in most of the assemblies across Uruguay, who gather once a year on July 18, a national holiday, to enjoy fellowship, two challenging messages and discussion groups. Everything is geared towards the task the Lord has given us to care for His sheep, but this year one of the topics was "Take Care of Yourself". We **pray** for one another, that we would stay focused and faithful.

We finished July with a special Sunday and a <u>Regional meeting</u> which was held here in Rosario. Someone either counted or guessed there were about 120 present. The hall was bursting. It was a great time for the Christians from the area to enjoy being together, smaller groups to enjoy a larger group where especially the singing is so good. Each assembly participated in one way or another.

August started off with a <u>couple's banquet</u>. It is always a fun time with games and food and an appropriate gospel message on marriage, the family and Christ at the core.

The other day, <u>Mario</u>, a neighbor called at our door. He had come a couple of months ago asking to talk, concerned because he feels he has lost his faith. We talked then about the source of faith, and this time I shared Luke 15 with him. Pray for this 60 yr old man, that he grasp the gospel and take hold of the Saviour.

We are very grateful to you for your generous gift of \$230.00. We **PRAY** that we will be faithful administrators of this gift from the Lord so as to contribute to the salvation of many and their growth in the Lord's things.

Gratefully in Christ

Ken and Eunice