

News from URUGUAY

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ at Pine Grove Bible Church

Thank you for your prayerful interest in the Lord's work in Uruguay and of us as we serve our Lord and Saviour, shown in your generous gift of \$230. We thank God, too, for safety and blessing at all the summer camps during January in Mercedes at the Ombú, and at Alfa on the Atlantic coast and also during February near us at Peniel.

In our last letter we mentioned the excellent weather at the youth camp. Well that was the end of lovely camping weather as the rest of the month has been changeable with over 200mm of rain. Just last weekend gave us 120mm. So the farmers are now happy, although it meant that the family camp was cancelled as it was just too wet. The intense rainfall also put many people on the alert for the possible flooding of homes in lower areas of our city. Thankfully this didn't happen.

February is also the month for gospel tent campaigns. The first week was hosted by the Colonia assembly just 50 km away. It was an excellent week with about 60 young people and leaders from various assemblies who spent the week there doing evangelism and discipleship. There was a lovely testimony of a lady, a radio reporter, who three years ago went with a lawn chair and sat a distance away to hear. Although a "good" person and religious, she found Christ as personal Saviour. She then invited her son to go, who was struggling with drugs, and he and his wife were also saved. She has been growing, doing Bible courses and is scheduled to be baptized this Sunday, March 9. This was an encouraging start to the month and the remaining three campaigns. Although response is different in each city, yet there is always blessing and the local Christians are encouraged.



Continue to **PRAY** for Tarariras, 45 kms from us, where we have meetings every Saturday. **PRAY** for open doors and that the believers would be encouraged to persevere with kid's classes and women's studies.

Yesterday we had two interesting, surprise visits. Various times we have had people come wanting to buy a Bible. They are sent by a friend who owns a bookstore and when a client asks for a Bible he sends them to us. The couple wanted the Bible for a 30 yr old daughter who is in a rehabilitation centre. The lady remembers when 20 years ago we had open-air children's classes close to their home and her six children attended. There are currently two in the meeting from that group of kids. We **PRAY** for this other family.

The second visit was a neighbour from across the street. Although crossing paths many times and chatting, there has never been a "connection". Yesterday she needed signatures for something so she came in and sat down and soon almost two hours had passed. She belongs to a rather exclusive religion but as she explained her beliefs we feel that if she isn't saved, then she's "not far from the kingdom". We **PRAY** for further opportunities, with her as well as with other neighbours.

We're looking forward to a visit from Ken's younger brother who lives in British Colombia, who is away from the Lord. He spent 7 years of his childhood and early teens here with Mom and Dad. He has visited different times, sometimes with family and other times alone. We **PRAY** for good times with him.

With Christian love *Ken and Eunice*