

Mercedes, URUGUAY

March, 2025

Dear Brethren, Friends and Family

“But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ”
1 Corinthians 15:57.



And...that is the way **we finished year 2024 and started year 2025**, just like that we are already into March. We praise the Lord for sustaining us and giving us the strength to get **thru a month of Camps** and in spite of the fact that we are not heavily involved in all camps, we



were in charge of 1 here in Mercedes and had to speak at 2 in Alfa Camp, 560 kms from home. We trusted God for the travelling and the time spent with the campers. Our health is improving and even though we tire easily we were able to enjoy both

groups. The first had over 100 adolescents and the second group was family Camp for the east end assemblies with around 300 in attendance.

Tent Campaigns just finished last weekend and like always they were a blessing. They spent a week in **4 different**



cities, giving thousands of tracts, having children's meetings, and a gospel message in the evening. Some of the Y.P. from Mercedes spent up to 3 weeks serving in different cities. Between Camps and Campaigns our youth and older adolescents use their summer for the Lord. It's a great way to spend their holidays. We did not attend any Campaign this year as many were away serving or on their holidays.

Our family is doing well and just said goodbye to **Julieta**, Naty and Hugo's oldest daughter. She moved to Uruguay at the end of January so as to study in Montevideo. She will be in university studying to be a Legal Translator with the goal of missions (once she marries) in Brazil. Her boyfriend is an MK and studying in the States. Her classes start next Monday so she was with us for over 3 weeks.



Delia and Alejandro are working hard at the Camp, with the **Bible School, starting also Monday 10th** and now preparing the grounds for the Team arriving on the 15th from Canada. It should be fun having a couple and 13 men around, plus the students and some from the church going out to help. There are a lot of things to do around the Camp besides the water tower, which is the biggest project.



Allen is doing well, we are still praying for his restoration. He is holding a pretty good job and seems more stable. We have a good relationship and visit him every so many weeks. He is working at a ranch 70 klms from Mercedes.

Of course, **Norman** is in Canada and doing well in a beautiful place called Tofino. He is working at a very high end hotel as it is a touristic city.

Natalie and Hugo are very busy at their jobs in Manaus, Naty will be doing a trip into a tribe in early April as a Consultant, the first one alone after the 2 years training she has had. We are looking forwards to seeing them at the end of November.

And...the Schools and High School started this past Wednesday (after Carnival ended) and so is Sunday School starting, Adolescents meetings and also Youth Group, Ladies Meetings, etc... we are in full swing again. We PTL for an excellent group of leaders and teachers that have lighten the load from us and allow for a slower pace (sometimes) March is pretty packed.

Please PRAY for: [The Team from MSC coming from the 15th to the 30th](#), for safety and logistic to move a big team. [Our family](#) and their involvement in the Lord's work. [For the beginning of many activities](#) in the month of March. [For a vehicle](#), as we need to get something smaller but would like to save and keep the van for the church activities. [For health and strength](#) to continue serving even if it is from another perspective.

Thank you for standing with us thru your prayers, offerings and friendship. We are certainly a big family. How lovely!!

In Christ love.

Rob and Cecilia Russell

