



THE SIMMONS FAMILY

CHURCH PLANTERS TO URUGUAY

September 1, 2022

Dear Praying Friends and Supporters,

Children's Day: The second Sunday of August is known as "Children's Day" in Uruguay. It is a day that the children here look forward to because they receive gifts and candy. Some toys were donated to the pastor's wife, and Christa bought some candy, along with some small gifts. Many kids were invited to come, and some of the kids invited their friends as well. On a normal Sunday, there are around 20 kids in church, but on that day, 35 kids came. There were 5 visitors as well! The kids were able to sing Scriptural songs and play games outside. At the end of the service, there was food for the kids and adults as well. Before the kids went home, they were all given a gift bag. We praise God for how He worked to bring visitors to church on that day.



Emma passing out tracts for the first time



Preparing the church for Children's Day



The kids waiting patiently to eat



A few kids with their gift bags

Praise

- A good number of salvations in August!
- Many people were invited to church!

Prayer

- Our health—we've gotten sick multiple times this winter, much more than usual.
- Our Spanish classes
- Luz, Richard, Elias, and the children to grow as Christians

Exciting Soul-Winning Experience: Pastor Gabriel and I went out soul winning on August 6. We went to an area a few blocks from the church to talk to people about the Gospel and invite them to church. Although it was a chilly morning, it was a sunny day, so a number of people were outside. The vast majority of the people were very friendly and willing to at least take an invitation. I was able to converse with several folks as well about church. We ended up passing out 200 invitations to church. We met Luz, a 71-year-old lady who was very familiar with our church and knew a number of people who had come to the church through the years. She knew a lot about the Bible but had never trusted in Christ to save her. Praise God, she put her complete faith in Jesus to save her that day! We also met Richard and Elias, a father and son who were working on pouring the concrete for a path. They both were willing to put that task on hold and listen to a plan of the Gospel, and then a short time later, they both put their faith in Christ to save them as well! I would have taken photos, but we don't carry our phones in that area in case we get robbed. Praise the Lord for these 3 professions of faith! Please pray that they come to church and get disciplined.

Salvations at Church: I had the opportunity to preach to the kids on August 21. I noticed a few visitors, so I wanted to make sure I did a salvation invitation at the end of the message. When I gave the invitation and asked for the kids who had never been saved to raise their hands, four kids raised their hands. Sandra, the pastor's wife, talked to those kids in a separate room, and they trusted in Christ to save them! Praise the Lord!

Thank you so much for faithfully praying for our family and supporting us.

Your missionaries to Uruguay,

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