

THE TERRYN FAMILY



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Dear friends,

Every country in the world shares four fundamental and mandatory elements from the standpoint of politics and international law: a defined territory, a permanent population, a governing administration, and sovereignty; yet, the Gospel is not known everywhere. Why did the Gospel spread so widely during the time of the early church? The Bible tells us that the Apostle Paul stated: "I have fully preached the gospel of Christ." Romans 15:19. This was no exaggeration; they had indeed reached a vast portion of the ancient world. But how was this accomplished? The answer lies in missionary work. There is no other way. This work was carried out with the help of God and faithful brethren who participated in the missionary effort, as seen, for example, in 2 Corinthians 8:1-4.

This church was remarkable. Despite their deep poverty, they abounded in the riches of generosity. Paul was amazed by their hearts; they pleaded for the opportunity to participate in the work, even amidst their own needs. This demonstrates that true blessing comes when one cares about what matters most to God: that people come to know Christ as their Savior. Thank you for having that mission-minded heart and for being part of the work in Uruguay.

The Church Building Project has been met!

Thank you so much for praying and giving towards this special project. God has provided what is needed to buy the property, and we are so thankful for that. We are now in the process of bringing the funds to Uruguay and working with the notary public and IPM in order to have the required paperwork to purchase the property. The church family here is very excited to see how the Lord has provided, and we are all very encouraged to see God blessing the ministry. As a church, we are currently studying the letter to the Philippians; although the believers come from a background, specifically in Nueva Palmira, marked by deep depression and high suicide rates, studying this letter, the central theme of which is joy in Christ, is challenging them through the Word, and we are seeing how God is at work.

New Contacts

Please pray for at least 15 new people that have come to church and have heard the Gospel, that the seed that has been planted may give fruit. Several are parents, older brothers, and grandparents of the children that come to church, so it is wonderful to see the Word spreading. Please pray for firm decisions and hunger to learn more about how to live a life that is good before God.

Children's Ministry

Thank you for praying for the children in our church and the children's outreach program. What a joy to see them grow in the Lord and learn how to pray and give the gospel to others. We are now having to make more rounds in our 8-passenger vehicle to pick up children since more are coming to church, praise the Lord!



We praise Him for the growth we have seen in these children. Some of them arrive hungry, not only for the Word of God, but also for love and affection. As we strive to meet these needs in each child, we are reminded that our labor in the Lord is never in vain.

Please pray for these specific prayer requests regarding Children's ministry:

1. Pray for fresh creativity and a renewed vision each time we share the Word of God with these children.
2. Pray that the families of these children will be receptive to the gospel and respond to our invitations.
3. Pray for the sustained growth of each child.

Teen Ministry

Our co-worker David Gonzalez shares: My name is David, and for the past couple of years, my family and I have been serving alongside the Terryn missionaries. God placed a burden on our hearts to assist the work in Nueva Palmira after seeing the need created by the church's numerical growth. Part of my ministry with them involves helping with the teenagers' class.



Most of the young people attending the class started coming to the church as children. What an opportunity we have to encourage them to stay on the path God has for them! Many of them come from broken or unstable homes, and this age is a “pivotal moment” for making life-altering decisions; it is likely that at this stage, we will see whether they continue with us or choose a different path. Our efforts focus on clearly preaching the Gospel to them, discipling them practically through Bible study, and helping them become active, useful church members (within their capabilities). This year, we are studying Old Testament characters and seeing how their decisions and sins impacted their own lives and future generations. They are learning that, even at their age, they can make changes and resolutions that positively influence their lives and their surroundings.

Praises:

1. For the opportunity to minister to teenagers in a city that wants nothing to do with God.
2. For the faithfulness of several of these young people who attend every weekend.
3. The Word being sown is beginning to bear fruit; perhaps not rapidly, but it is evident that they are learning something new and practical each Sunday.

Prayer Requests:

1. For each young person and their family: Braulio and Santiago, Renata and Reyina, Tobías, Jazmín and Violeta, and Saraf (our daughter).
2. For a larger space. The church is growing, and with that growth comes a need for more room. We are currently meeting in the kitchen; while we thank God for this, having a more suitable meeting room would be ideal.
3. For materials and God’s provision. Having a great vision leads to great growth; alongside numerical growth, we would like to better serve our teenagers—having games (both board and outdoor), new Bibles, dedicated school supplies, etc... All of this helps capture their attention and improve how the message is presented. We know we can dream big because God is great!

We pray that God provides as He always has, and we hope that the prayers offered on our behalf are answered by God with abundant “fruit that may abound to your account”.

Upcoming Activities

The first Uruguay Leaders’ Retreat is coming up, and we are busy organizing and planning for it. Thank you so much for praying for this much needed time of refreshment and encouragement. One of Juan’s professors from the Logos Baptist Seminary will be coming to teach. We are looking forward with excitement to what God has in store for those days. Thank you for those that have given towards this opportunity!

Children’s Day is coming, and it will be a big event, as we use this day to celebrate children and reach many new families in the community. The adults are deeply involved this year in helping with the program, and it is wonderful to see them want to serve the Lord this way. Please pray for the activities planned, the invitations that will be sent out, for the parents of new children to also come to church, for good weather that day, and much spiritual fruit for His glory.

Juan will be teaching for 2 months in the Baptist Bible Institute of Colonia, and he looks forward to that time of investing in the next generation. Please pray for him, for wisdom to be an instrument in God’s hand.

As we plan ahead towards the end of the year, we would like to ask your help in prayerfully considering giving towards a Christmas Project, which will be used to buy carefully selected new class material for the children and teens and also buy new Bibles to give out as gifts. Thank you!

Current Project or One Time Giving Opportunity:

Uruguay Christmas 2026 \$1000

Thank you, again, for your love and support. Thank you for all those that have asked about the Church Building Project and how it is going, and for praying for each step of that process. Thank you for holding us from your side of the world!

Please keep in touch through email: theterrynfamily@gmail.com or via Facebook. We love you.

Serving Him with thankful hearts,
Juan and Andy

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