



URUGUAY

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DEDICATION SERVICE IN SANTA ROSA



I Always Knew It Was Worth It

Fifty years ago, Lorenzo and Martha followed God's call to plant a church in Santa Rosa. They launched tent campaigns, prayed with neighbors, and poured their hearts into sharing the gospel. There were tears. Prayers that felt unanswered. Seasons that stretched their faith. After four long years, they left discouraged, wondering why their efforts had not produced the fruit they longed to see.

But God had not forgotten Santa Rosa. Decades later, we found ourselves partnering with a young couple who felt called to that *exact* city. The journey was still challenging, yet little by little the soil began to soften. People responded. A small storefront became a sanctuary. Property was purchased, and in November we celebrated the dedication of a brand-new sanctuary, **church 31** in the Uruguay 100 initiative.

We prepared a short video highlighting the construction and dedication service and sent it to Martha. Her reply moved us deeply: **"I always knew it was worth it."**

Every tear, every prayer, every sacrifice—none of it was wasted. Today, there is a healthy church in Santa Rosa and lives are being transformed. The church was built by a wonderful team led by Pastor Keith Indovino from Blaze Church in NY who worked together with new believers from

Santa Rosa. It was a picture of the unity of the Body of Christ—different nations, one mission, building God's Kingdom.

Church #30 was dedicated in October in Benzo and we were amazed by the response of the community to the first evangelical church. We've also had the privilege of ministering at the Men's and Women's **Teen Challenge** centers and assisting them with a much-needed new roof. Seeing God deliver and restore people continues to inspire.

Priority One, lead by Sam Johnson, raised essential funds for our residential **Bible School**. Renovations are complete on the dorms and bathrooms, as well as a new security wall—improvements that will bless students for years to come. Pastor Randy Carter brought a team of pastors to see the work, share at our Uruguayan General Council, and visit several of the newly established churches. Their investment greatly ministered to our people. In addition, Steve recently taught a church planting course at the Bible School, while Jill continues to lead worship faithfully at our local church.

None of this would be possible without you. Your prayers, encouragement and generosity are helping us to see churches established, and lives transformed. Thank you for helping bring hope to the lost. With heartfelt gratitude,

Steve, Jill, Lucas, Josh & Julia



SERVICE IN FLOR DE MAROÑAS
WITH PASTOR KEITH



DEDICATION OF NEW CHURCH
IN BENZO



STEVE TRANSLATING FOR PASTOR
RANDY AT GENERAL COUNCIL

"God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supply." ~Hudson Taylor



KIDS CORNER

LUCAS: First half of 7th grade is over, and it was a good semester! I'm keeping up with the work and doing more challenging things like reading "Treasure Island" in Spanish, but of course my favorite things to do are play sports and hang out with friends. Our school hosted a soccer and volleyball tournament which was amazing...even playing soccer in the 90 degree heat was fun! But it felt REALLY good to stick my head under the hose after! Oh and something big happened at home... I am officially taller than Mom now!

JOSHUA: Halfway through 4th grade and what a semester is has been! I have done some really cool projects like writing a "realistic fiction" story about a boy who gets injured during a soccer game, created a timeline about important events in my life, dressed up as a chef and shared cupcakes with my class, and pretended to be a "mad scientist" and explained systems of the human body. I am also loving sports as always ...soccer is a favorite, but I have found a new interest in volleyball and continue to enjoy basketball! I also am loving all of the Christmas activities, like decorating the Christmas tree and making Christmas cookies!

JULIA: I am doing so well in kindergarten, Mom says my writing and reading have just exploded! I am learning so much and like sounding out words and writing them anytime I can... even on napkins or whatever is lying around the table. I participated in ballet and gymnastics, and recently did my first ballet recital! I smiled the entire time and had a lot of fun being on stage in my special ballet dress! I've made some good friends at school and really like going each day. And I am LOVING the Christmas season, although the snow is missing!



MINISTRY



RENOVATIONS AT BIBLE SCHOOL



PRIORITY ONE TEAM MINISTERING IN PANDO



MINISTERING AT MEN'S TEEN CHALLENGE



NEW ROOF FOR MEN'S TEEN CHALLENGE

PLEASE PRAY

- For the new churches being established in 2026
- For financial provision for church construction of 6 new sanctuaries
- To continue to see miracles, lives changed & families transformed
- For health, strength & supernatural protection
- For anointing, wisdom & favor
- For a harvest of souls, that disciples would be made and Gospel transformation all over Uruguay

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