



URUGUAY

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CHURCH DEDICATION IN LA PAZ-COBENA



Arise!

We hope you are all doing well and enjoying the warm summer months in the USA! Believe it or not, here in the Southern Hemisphere we're actually starting winter!

It has been a crazy-busy, yet crazy-wonderful season of construction and we're overjoyed that **FOUR NEW CHURCHES** have been built this year in the communities of La Paz, La Paloma, Punta de Rieles and Barros Blancos. We give God all of the glory for the amazing things He has done. It's been a joint effort between you, our partners in the US, Builders International, and the Uruguayan pastors and volunteers. We've marveled, watching this display of unity unfold before our eyes, and have been especially inspired by the commitment of new believers. Their desperation for a place of worship has led them to sacrifice financially to purchase the properties and to volunteer their time to help with construction. They've done all of this for the same reason many of you have partnered with us and followed our journey in Uruguay—to see lives changed by Christ.

Mauricio is a prime example. He grew up in a house with alcoholic parents, and after they divorced, he began to use drugs as an escape from the difficulties of life. One day, while out purchasing drugs, he overheard a program on the radio. For the first time in his life he heard about Jesus and walked into the first church he saw, giving his life to Christ.

Since then, God has blessed him with a wife and two children, and they have been serving in the church and ministering to hurting families. In March, in the middle of the pandemic, they sensed the call of God and started a new church in La Paz. We've had the privilege of walking through this process with them and last week finished the construction on their building. The response of the community has been wonderful, already seeing entire families come to know Christ!

Another recent highlight was Steve teaching a church planting class at the Bible School. He really enjoyed the opportunity to share the vision, strategies, and need to plant more churches. And even more exciting—five students expressed their desire to join us in planting a church after graduation! Thank God for future workers!

We are already dreaming about the next three churches to be built later this year. Thank you for all those who have so generously supported Hope for Uruguay 100. It's amazing to celebrate the dedication of the buildings and hear the testimonies of dreams fulfilled. Thank you for helping position these churches to have greater space for evangelism, discipleship, fellowship and worship. If you'd like to be part of helping us build these next three, you can donate at <http://sl.ag.org/uruguay>. We look forward to sharing with you more stories of lives changed in Uruguay.

Love,

Steve, Jill, Lucas, Josh & Julia



CHURCH DEDICATION IN
PUNTA DE RIELES



CHURCH CONSTRUCTION IN
BARROS BLANCOS



CHURCH CONSTRUCTION IN PUNTA
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"Christ alone can save the world but Christ cannot save the world alone." —David Livingstone



LUCAS: It was a long three months of virtual classes at home, but we made it through! I have to admit, once in awhile I got distracted during class and started playing my Dad's guitar or watching "epic" dinosaur videos on YouTube, but most of the time I tried to have a good attitude and get my work done. I received a great report card, so Mom and Dad were very proud! The day we went back to school I woke up happily singing (and very loudly!) "I get to go to schoooooool today!!" I have LOVED seeing my friends and playing soccer together! And, during my first week I lost ANOTHER tooth! Like I actually, literally, lost it... I pulled it out in the school bathroom and dropped it somewhere. The good thing is, the tooth fairy didn't mind...she still stopped by!

JOSHUA: I just had my 5th birthday and it was the best day ever! I chose all of the activities and meals for the day, including a donut tower, a pirate bouncy bounce to jump on with friends, pizza and a movie for dinner, and a pillow fight. It was so awesome, I wish it could be my birthday every day! I also got to go back to school and I am doing so well. My parents call me the "little mayor" because I seem to know almost everyone and love to say goodbye to each person at the end of the day! I'm also a big helper to my Dad at the church construction sites, and even have my own tools!

JULIA: I celebrated my first birthday! I wasn't so sure what to do with the cake at first, but Joshie helped me out with some little tastes of the frosting, and I really liked the chocolate! I'm "scooching" all over the place which comes in handy when I want to destroy lego creations, pull on wires, or play with dirty shoes. The rest of the family doesn't seem to like when I do those things, but I can't help it - I'm curious! I'm sweet as can be, so smiley, and I save my best giggles for my brothers!



PLEASE PRAY

- FOR THE CHURCHES IN SAN CARLOS, SALTO & SORIANO THAT WILL BE BUILT IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS
- FOR GOD TO CALL THE NEXT GENERATION OF CHURCH PLANTERS AND FOR WISDOM AS WE TRAIN AND MENTOR THEM
- FOR A HARVEST OF SOULS, THAT DISCIPLES WOULD BE MADE AND NEW CHURCHES ESTABLISHED ALL OVER URUGUAY
- FOR FINANCIAL PROVISION AND CONSTRUCTION TEAMS TO HELP BUILD THE NEW CHURCHES
- FOR HEALTH, STRENGTH & SUPERNATURAL PROTECTION
- FOR ANOINTING, WISDOM & FAVOR
- FOR OUR FAMILY, ESPECIALLY LUCAS, JOSHUA & JULIA

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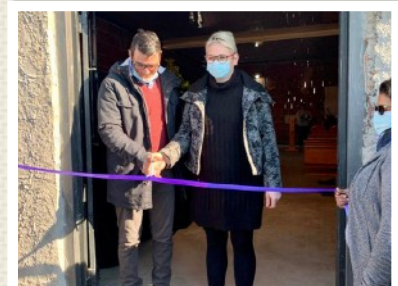
PREACHING DEDICATION IN
PUNTA DE RIELES



PUTTING ROOF ON IN
LA PAZ



CHURCH CONSTRUCTION IN
LA PALOMA



RIBBON CUTTING
IN LA PAZ