

Nation of the Week

Nation of the World Needing Our Prayers Paraguay



"For mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people." Isaiah 56:7b

Paraguay is a landlocked nation near the center of South America. The Paraguay River divides the more fertile and developed east from the drier and sparsely populated west. Independent from Spain in 1811. Wars with surrounding nations from 1864-1870 and 1932-1935. Corrupt military dictatorship 1954-1989, but since then, economic and democratic reforms have improved the nation somewhat. Paraguay has few natural resources besides agriculture and hydro-electric potential, and though the economy has grown and diversified some in recent years, the landlocked status, lack of mineral resources, and endemic corruption have hindered economic development. Inequitable land distribution has created poverty and a class of landless peasant farmers. Separation of church and state and equality before the law of all religious bodies was declared in 1992, but the Catholic Church still wields political and social influence (the 7 million people of Paraguay are nominally about 96% Christian, of which about 88% are Roman Catholic).

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for souls to be saved, baptized, and grounded in God's Word.
- Pray for Independent Baptists to establish churches in Paraguay.
- Pray for true spiritual awakening in this nation that has never experienced a revival.
- Pray for a government characterized by uprightness and wisdom.

MISSIONARY MINUTE

Sunday

October 25, 2020



OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK Bro. and Mrs. Wayne Schmish to Thailand

Bro. Wayne and Suzanne Schmish are our missionaries to Thailand. The Schmish's went to Thailand after pastoring in Australia for over 12 years, and now they have been serving in Thailand for almost 14 years. They work with the Thai people to see them saved and then start churches to reach their own people. Because Bro Schmish believes that nationals are the best people to reach their own people, the Schmish's have a goal to train young Thai men and women to reach their own people, and then let them do it. Bro. Schmish says, "I still marvel that we came to this city with nothing and knowing nobody, and yet God has done marvelous things here in reaching souls and changing lives and families. Unsaved are weeping and getting saved, and altars are full as Thai believers respond to that which God spoke to them about in the preaching. We are ever going out, reaching out and seeking those other sheep Jesus spoke of who as yet do not know Him. Brethren thank you again for standing beside us as we labour here for souls and for our Saviour."

Requests

- Pray for souls to be saved, trained, and then reach their own people.
- Pray for strength and wisdom to disciple and mentor new men.
- Pray for Bank, Golf, and Basot to be saved.
- Pray for healing of Suzanne's eye.

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER LETTERS

BOLIVIA

Rick Ackerman

BULGARIA

Nick Maulucci

GUATEMALA

William Yant

HONG KONG

Andrew Au

MALAWI

John Fullford

MYANMAR

Kap Lui

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Matt Allen

PHILIPPINES

*Virgil Ojao
Angelito Valencia*

SCOTLAND

Dane Vogelpohl

USA

*Golden State
Chuck Harding
Marco Turriza*

WORLDWIDE

Gil Anger

Other

Angers– Health. Financial needs met during this time.

Prayer Letter Requests

R. Ackerman– God's blessing on new outreach in Tomatas Grande. Our health.

M. Allen– Recovery of materials from fire.

G. Anger– Our health. Paul's family health.

A. Au– Wisdom with the National Security Law. Church open soon!

J. Fullford– Fruit from medical outreach.

Golden State– Open College soon!

C. Harding– Upcoming election!

K. Lui– Upcoming election Nov.8 for leaders who will give Christian liberty.

N. Maulucci– Krassie and family to be saved.

V. Ojao– Church to resume soon.

M. Turriza– Safety.

A. Valencia– Restrictions to be lifted and church to meet soon.

D. Vogelpohl– US Embassy to open in Scotland so we can renew our son's passport.

W. Yant– Dry weather. Police not give us problems.

Fruit Abounding to Our Account

Philippians 4:17

(Excerpt from letter of Missionary Chuck Harding to USA)

AT THE BWI AIRPORT A YOUNG MAN ASKED ABOUT MY LAPEL PIN. I EXPLAINED OUR GOD AND COUNTRY MINISTRY TO CAPITOL HILL AND TALKED TO HIM ABOUT THE GOSPEL WITNESS THAT WE PROVIDE THERE. HE BOWED HIS HEAD AND ACCEPTED JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR. WHAT A BLESSING, AMIDST ALL THE HATRED, THE LOVE OF GOD THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF HIS SON IS STILL POWERFUL TO SAVE SOULS!



(More fruit from Missionary John Fullford to Malawi)



Here is an encouraging story how medical clinic draws people to Christ. A little boy aged 11 was burnt by fire after his younger brother pushing him into the open fire. His mother brought him to us for help. Bro. Christopher started dressing and treating him. He used this opportunity to introduce them to the Lord. After preaching to them how Christ saves, they surrendered their souls to Christ. Praise the Lord that through our medical clinics, some souls are coming to know Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

(More fruit from Missionary Dane Vogelpohl to Scotland)

We have many new visitors since starting up again, many Bibles and tracts are still going out on the streets, and we have seen the Lord work. On one occasion, a street musician tried to stop our street preaching by cranking up his amp volume and singing a blasphemous song. Instead of stopping us it drew a crowd. Shortly afterward a man stopped to listen to the preaching and ended up getting saved.

