

Dear Pastor and Church,

August 2017

Greetings from cold and damp Argentina. There is no doubt that winter is in full swing here, humidity is high and the days a gray and dreary. I started this letter a month ago but never got back to finishing it. I guess it's about time.

Things have been hectic for us the last few weeks as we are preparing to leave for our furlough next week. We are trying to leave all the bases covered for our absence. To complicate matters our car is in the shop for the week. It's not easy to leave our ministry for three months, but we are looking forward to seeing family, and visiting some of our churches.

Pray for our church in our absence. This furlough has not come at the best time. We have been through a difficult time as a church in the last few months. We have had some faithful members who have left us looking for greener pastures. This was unexpected and hit the church hard. We are recovering slowly from the blow. We know these things happen because our enemy never rests and is always looking for opportunities to discourage. We also know the God we serve whose grace is sufficient for every need. We pray this will be an opportunity for us to grow spiritually and come out stronger on the other side of the trial.

We ask that you be praying for my dad, Richard Todd, retired missionary, who is having surgery next week. It is a delicate surgery complicated by his Parkinson's disease and his diabetes.

We plan to be in the States through the end of November to try and raise our support level. If you would like to have us come and report on our ministry, we still have some mid week services open. Follow us on our sites and social media for more info on our ministry. <u>http://mikeandsandytoddargentina.synthasite.com/</u><u>http://mstoddargentina.blogspot.com/</u> Facebook – Mike and Sandy Todd – Missionaries to Argentina

Your Missionaries, Mike and Sandy