



Dear Pastor and Church,

December 2017

We are back on Argentine soil! After three and a half months of sleeping in strange beds, we are home again. It has been an eventful trip for us. We started our furlough in south Florida experiencing the wrath of Irma who blew a tree over on our car. We also made it to Houston and saw some of the devastation there and the great work some of our supporting churches were doing to minister to those in need. All in all we covered 8000 miles in those short months. In the midst of all that travel the Lord allowed us to spend some time with family. We were able to help care for my parents during some health issues, Sandy got to spend six weeks with her dad and love on him, I saw all my brothers and sister in a rare mini family reunion, and we were able to spend 10 awesome days with both of our kids for the first time in three years. God is good.

We already miss our loved ones, but we were ready to get back to our home and our ministry here in Junín. The church did well in our absence, most remained faithful and it was a pleasant surprise to see one of our young men start attending faithfully again after many years. As you know by now this is our summer and busiest time of year. We start next Friday with our first ladies retreat at our youth camp. There are 70 women signed up so far. We need special prayer for that since I will be cooking for them. Sandy has worked hard to get it organized so it will be an awesome time for the ladies. Then comes our Christmas services and January with our youth camp season. In between all the ministry activity we will try to get our house cleaned up and painted after sitting empty with no heat during our humid winter.

In the mist of all the activity we don't want to forget the reason for the season, the reason why we are here in Argentina. That is to spread the good news that our Savior was born. We also want to thank you for the gift of your support and prayers over the years. We pray you have a blessed holiday season. Merry Christmas!

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