

Dear Pastor and Church,

I used to think June was the best month of the year; it is our church anniversary month as well as my birthday month. But as the years fly by I don't look forward to it like I used to! I can't complain, however, because the Lord has blessed me with good health and keeps me going. I guess I will focus on celebrating the church's birthday and not my own.

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As the school year started up in March we started up our kids club again. We have had a hard time getting the kids to be consistent in their attendance. It is always hard when they get little help from their parents. We still enjoy working with them and it is encouraging to see those who come out to help club.

We have also started the process of finishing the outside of our church building. I say a process because that is exactly what it is, a very slow process! This is one of those "trying of your faith worketh patience" type moments for me. I opted not to do the work myself this time so we have to wait on a company who has the equipment. They have over committed themselves and keep putting me off until the weather is better. It has been a very rainy winter so far, so I'm stuck waiting. Did I say I hate to wait?

May was our missions emphasis month. As always we try to grow in our faith each year as we teach our people to give sacrificially. We started off the month with a visiting speaker who is a missionary to the Jewish people here in Argentina. We also had an evangelist come and teach a soul winning course to encourage us to do at home what we expect our missionaries to do on their fields. We also were able to have a Skype conference with one of our own missionaries who is raising support. Our son Michael is a team missionary going to Peru for a year. It was sweet for our people to talk to him and see how the Lord is using his life. They are very proud of him. It was a good month as we increased our faith promise by 50%. This will allow us to give our current missionaries a cost of living support increase as well as take on one new one.

One way you can pray specifically for us here in Argentina is to pray for our economy. Things are difficult right now. Just to give you an idea our utilities have increased about 50% in the last four months, this affects our church, our camp and our family finances. These increases make prices go up across the board, which in turn makes ministry more difficult.

We thank you for your faithfulness and prayers for our ministry. It is a privilege to be co-laborers together with you here in Argentina. Follow us on our sites and social media for more info on our ministry. http://mikeandsandytoddargentina.synthasite.com/ http://mstoddargentina.blogspot.com/

Your Missionaries, Mike and Sandy