

Slide 2-5: This is Paraguay, composed of many different provinces. One of the biggest is Presidente Hayes. President Hayes is forgotten in America, but he is a hero in Paraguay. Hayes awarded the disputed land in the [Gran Chaco](#) region to Paraguay, and the Paraguayans honored him by renaming a city ([Villa Hayes](#)) and a [department](#) ([Presidente Hayes](#)) in his honor. Paraguay has beautiful costumes and dances, crafts, and beautiful nature.

Slide 6: Our purpose was to be a blessing to the people of Paraguay and to grow in faith ourselves. We were involved in construction at El Renuevo Church, did some outreach and evangelism and helped with Vacation Bible School.

Slide 7: These were the churches represented.

Slide 8-9: This was the group and we were warmly welcome when we arrived in Paraguay.

Slide 10: The first day, the pastors in our group conducted some teaching and we discussed ordination and Presbytery admission with the Session of the Paraguayan church.

Slide 11: We stayed with different families and were picked up every morning and brought to the church.

Slide 12: Breakfast at the church.

Slide 13: We discussed our schedule for the week.

Slide 14: Pastor Larry Yeager delivering a lecture regarding the importance of supporting one's leaders.

Slide 15: On Saturday, we visited Asuncion, did some sightseeing, ate at the Do Gaucho Restaurant, and participated in evangelism in Luque.

Slide 16: Jonathan talking about our agenda for the day.

Slide 17: Photo of Asuncion showing whole neighborhoods under water.

Slide 18: Picture of Anette's brother with a Paraguayan sister, Deidi.

Slide 19: Julianna and Lili.

Slide 20: The Paraguayan Navy.

Slide 21: The National Palace.

Slides 22-24: Do Gaucho Restaurant.

Slide 25-27: We passed out evangelism literature in Luque. We met a Liberty University student, Morgan, doing the same thing with another church. As you know, Jonathan is a student

at Liberty. It's amazing that two students from the same school would meet so far away. It is really God's doing. Passing out literature.

Slide 28: On Sunday, we had a Potomac Presbytery Installation Service, an Asado luncheon, participated in Barrio Parque's Children's Program, watched the World Cup final and played soccer.

Slide 30: Worship at the church.

Slide 32: We gave our testimony/short message to the church.

Slide 33: Asado lunch.

Slide 34: Visit to Iglesia Comunidad del Parque.

Slide 35: Miguel and Pinchi Diaz, Pastors at Iglesia del Parque.

Slide 36-38: Pictures of the church. Church needs windows and doors. We just paid to have the roof installed, which was a great addition.

Slides 39-40: Worship at Parque.

Slides 42-44: We watched the world cup, played volleyball and football.

Slide 45-56: From Monday to Thursday, we worked at the El Renuevo Church to build the façade, to paint, to do door repair, and to repair other items in the church. Every day, we ate at La Comida de Mama, had a daily break time with our Paraguayan brothers and sisters, and had a daily bible study among the team. On Tuesday, we had a very meaningful Men's Fellowship Group.

Slide 57-66: On Friday, we had a fun time of fellowship and adventure at the Eco Reserva Mbatovi. We went on Ziplines, suspension bridges, and were blessed by nature in the Paraguayan forest.

Slides 67-70: Participated in the outreaches at Marin, Mariano, and Luque.

Slide 71: On Sunday, our final day, we had a church service and the congregation voted to ordain Miguel Diaz the following Sunday. It was a very special Sunday with moving Farewell Presentations.

Slides 74-82: Some funny and interesting pictures.

Slides 83-94: What did we accomplish? We helped with gospel outreach and church growth. And we helped beautify the church. The only way the Paraguayans can afford to improve their facilities is with funds that our teams bring with them. Every member of our Team learned important things about Paraguay and more importantly about themselves. These mission trips

are a great way that God uses to grow our knowledge, compassion, and dedication to the growth of His Kingdom. Most importantly, we developed relationships and friendships with our Paraguayan friends.

Slide 95: There is still very much to do. We need to continue our relationship with the Church in Paraguay and raise funds to improve Barrio Parque and install electricity, windows, and doors. We would also like to buy land for a new church in Marin or Mariano, and we also need more money for other projects. Pray for your role in missions, for Kingdom Growth, and for Paraguay.

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