Project Paraguay

Heart Aflame ... Image: Mind Renewed

In the Service of Christ the King

March 8, 2024

Dear Friend of Project Paraguay,

A new year of opportunity still awaits—to fulfill the Great Commission, to grow in Grace and Holiness, to put on the full armor of God in confronting evil, and to love one's neighbors as ourselves. "Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." Ephesians 5:1-2.

Project Paraguay faces a few critical months ahead as we take important steps to grow the ministry. But these steps are highly dependent on God's leading and the reservoir of love and commitment of people like you and me. As we "walk in the way of love," is there room in our hearts to dedicate time, prayers, and money to the work of the Kingdom in Paraguay?

The balls we are juggling include: 1) Setting the medical ministry on a firm foundation by purchasing a mobile clinic; 2) Organizing a large Summer missions team to provide physical and spiritual healing; 3) Building the Church at La Roca to include additional meeting and living quarters; and 4) Helping the El Renuevo School restructure onto a sound financial footing.

Our Medical Director, Finance Director, and Executive Director are traveling to Paraguay in March to lay the groundwork for the medical and construction missions in July. We will seek to purchase an appropriate van that can be used both as a mobile medical clinic and as a transportation vehicle for our Summer Team. As we look at different models, please pray that we make the right choice. If you would like to help fund the van, please indicate that in the memo on the online PayPal contribution form (https://projectparaguay.org/donate/).

On February 26, we held a very encouraging introductory Summer Missions Team Meeting with participants from Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, California, and Tennessee. We anticipate a team of around 20 persons of all ages and different churches to fly to Paraguay on or about July 11 to help with construction, medical fairs, vacation bible schools, and evangelical outreach. Please pray that all the logistics involved will fall into place and that the Lord will guide us to prepare a successful mission that will honor Him.

One of the main tasks for the Missions Team is completing the construction of meeting and living quarters that should begin in April. Project Paraguay is currently evaluating the architectural drawings and plans for the facilities and evaluating the costs

of construction. Given the major investment involved, we will need additional funding to complete the project. Our goal is to complete four rooms but may only have funding for two. Please consider a generous donation for these additional rooms and indicate construction in the memo line in your check or online (https://projectparaguay.org/donate/).

Unfortunately, the EI Renuevo School has experienced decreasing enrollment over the years, from 150 students a few years back to 70 students last year. It may drop again this year because of increased competition—similar-type schools that opened nearby in the last two years with much better facilities than ours. El Renuevo has sustained itself through tuition but the decreasing enrollment and revenue is making the School less viable in its current form long-term. One of the ways we are trying to help is by establishing scholarships for the School to start supplementing the decreasing revenue and attract financially-challenged families. This is the exclusive funding model for Barrio Parque which has worked very well, and moving El Renuevo towards this model will help make it financially viable. During our March trip, we will discuss with the School leadership other avenues such as relocation and reducing the number of grade levels. For \$50 a month, you can sponsor a financially needy child at the El Renuevo School—please consider this and please note El Renuevo School in the online form.

Finally, please pray for Jen, Kean, and Albert as we spend March and part of April in Paraguay. Dengue, a mosquito-borne disease, is in full bloom at this time of year. Please pray for us and for the Paraguayans—that we may be spared from this and other illnesses.

We are thankful for each and every one of you and wish you a wonderful Easter Celebration at the end of March! Christ is Risen Indeed!

For the PP Board.

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P.S. Your support for Project Paraguay's work is very much appreciated. Given that we are all unpaid volunteers, these funds go directly to the support of the work in Paraguay. Thank you for your faithful prayers and actions in support of Christ's Kingdom! God Bless.

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