

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

July 16, 2025

We pray that you all enjoyed a wonderful Independence Day! We are thankful to be Americans and blessed to freely serve our God the way that he has called us to.

Ministry Updates

We arrived to the United States for our 5-and-a-half-month furlough at the end of May. The first week, we were pleased to spend time with our home church in Fort Worth. Our schedule is full, and we praise the Lord for that. So far, we have visited supporting churches in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, and Michigan. The rest of this month and into August, we are scheduled to visit several of you all in Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. It has been a blessing to reconnect and share what God is doing in Argentina.

One of the blessings that we enjoy is time with family. The Lord has given us some supporting churches in the areas where my family and Kelsi's family live. It helps to be able to maximize our time by visiting those supporting churches on Sundays and family during the week when in those states.

The ministry continues in Argentina. We are very thankful for our ministry partners, Jarrod and Deirdre Tunnell, for taking over many of the responsibilities while we are gone. We are proud of them for their hard work on studying the language and learning the culture of Argentina.

Jarrod preaches one or two Sundays a month at the work in Saladas in my absence. The other Sundays are being covered by our friend and fellow missionary to Uruguay Marco Paulichen and our friend and Argentine national Pastor Raul Fernandez. The Lord has really blessed us with great people to fill in while we are gone. Jarrod is also teaching the Wednesday evening prayer services, and he and Deirdre have taken over the men's, women's, and youth meetings, too.

Technology can be a great blessing in many cases, and it has proven to be so on our furlough. Via video calls, I am able to continue some bible studies in Saladas, Mercedes and Tatacua. It is good to be able to stay in touch with the people and continue their growth, even while so far away.

We will be on furlough until mid-November. We covet your prayers for safety. Please also pray that the Lord would provide a few more supporting churches that can partner with us in the ministry.

Family Updates

While we are a bit tired of being in the van, we are doing well. Our time with family and our supporting churches has been refreshing for us.

Lukas and Eliza are thrilled to spend time with their grandparents, aunts and uncles, and cousins. It has been fun to see them reconnect. We are thankful for our families. It has also been great to see our kids making friends in our supporting churches.

Prayer Requests

- Continued growth in Saladas
- Our Furlough
 - Wisdom in our decisions
 - Protection as we travel
 - Endurance for the people of the work in Argentina
- Online Bible Studies in our physical absence
- Plans for our annual Family Conference in Saladas in November

In His Service, David W. Martin