

Greetings from Chile!

Big news! We have changed church facilities! We were meeting in a community center in a residential area. The area management wanted to improve security for the community with automatic gates and keyed locks. That was great for the residents but it was becoming a hindrance for both the church members and church visitors. We definitely needed a change that would better accommodate us.

Pastor Poblete and his son-in-law, Leo, were passing by a church building in the same neighborhood that looked like it wasn't being used and Leo decided to try to get more information about it. He made contact with the owner and they had a story to tell!

The pastor, who is about 80 years old and owns the property, has an independent Jesus' Name church that has dwindled to only eight members because most of the congregation have moved away from the city or out of the country. He really wanted to ensure that the property remained a church used for God's glory but didn't know what to do. So God answered prayer and he has leased us the property for 4 years!

The new location is very close to where we were meeting. There's parking available, and it's located just one building away from the corner of one of the main city thoroughfares. The location couldn't be much better! We have obtained approval to renovate the interior but I'll save some of those details for next month after we have taken a few more steps! We are so excited Please help us pray that all the details continue to come together smoothly.

We mentioned last month that our private Spanish language tutor is in Spain for a year. Her boyfriend/partner is staying behind and maintaining their apartment. (YES, we're praying for salvation and some wedding bells for them!) The church is literally down and around the corner from their home, and when we told her about it she said she knew the church. She does receive

the recorded church teachings even in Spain, and she has had some questions about God's requirements so we are hoping and praying that the Lord will open their hearts to receive all that he has for them in him! This is "fishing" with a hook and line, not a net, but God knows how to catch 'em! Praise God!

We just finished the teaching series on the Book of Revelation. It has been well-received and the church is anticipating the next series. I'm taking a short break while I prepare the next series of lessons on the book of 1st Corinthians. Please pray for clarity and direction as these new



studies come together. I've taught them before but they need to be updated for the current church format and translated. They should be ready at the end of the month and Pastor Poblete and I are working out the best schedule. I love teaching and I'm excited to get going on this very informative, practical and inspiring portion of God's word.

Ginger has been using her talents for the Lord by translating some songs which she wrote into Spanish. (She'll be sharing more about that soon!)

We have a falcon that lives very close to our building. I'm not sure exactly where its nest is, but it has to be really close because it's always around. Not only does it look like a falcon, its screech removes all doubt. I haven't seen it catch anything but there are many birds and little animals around to provide it sustenance.

We had the opportunity to visit the Palacio de Cristal (Cristal Palace), officially known as the Palacio de las Artes, located in Santiago, Chile. It's a striking example of 19th century iron and



Alternative missionary house pet/neighbor



Check out all the bolts! It's basically a giant "Erector Set" of a building that was designed to be taken apart and put back together. THAT is some crazy architecture!



glass architecture, inspired by the Crystal Palace of London. It was built in 1889 as part of Chile's participation in the Paris Exposition and later brought back and reassembled in Santiago.

Today, the building is used for cultural exhibitions and art events. Its most famous contemporary is the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France.

One of Ginger's duties as the manager of her company's finance team is morale building. A few times every year the team goes out together to do something fun and promote cohesiveness. In October they all went to drive go-karts. Everyone had a blast and Ginger managed (no pun intended) to secure 3rd place in the rankings! One of the team had never driven a car of any kind before because he had never needed to drive. Ginger was able to give him some advice on accelerating when coming out of a bend and he performed very well. All of her employees are very nice people and we like to spend time with them when we can.



Thank you for partnering with us in all our endeavors and may God bless you all!

- Bill and Ginger

