



— Jamie & Erica — **SMITHEYS**

Morgan, Luke, Meredith

— SANTIAGO, CHILE —

January 2021

Pastor, Friends, and Family

What a year 2020 was! It was a year unlike any other we have ever experienced. We had to learn how to do ministry in ways we have never had to do before, and the Lord continued to bless. Although, we had to move practical everything online the work continued to move forward. We had people saved and new people join the church. We also have had new families start being discipled. It's been amazing to see God continue to work in spite of all the restrictions we faced in 2020 and are still facing here in Santiago.

The majority of Chile is still in some form of quarantine and very few communities are able to hold in person services or meetings of any kind, and in the majority of the communities that are able to have services the number of participants is limited to between 5-15. So, we continue to adapt and do all that we can to make sure that the we keep moving forward with the Lord. Hudson Taylor said, "God is always advancing." We want to make sure we are advancing with him.

One of the greatest things we have to report on is the spiritual growth of Juan Carlos and his wife Angela. They have really grown in the Lord this past year and continue to take on more and more responsibilities. They are doing a great job leading by example and he is a great preacher and she is doing a wonderful job teaching the ladies. We are grateful for them and their love for the Lord and the local church.

This year will also be a year unlike any other for us because our oldest, Morgan will be turning 18 on January 31. We are planning to be back in the states in March

2021 to go with her to visit some Bible Colleges and help her get settled. We ask that you pray with us for this transition and that everything goes well so that we can return to the states without any problems or hold ups.

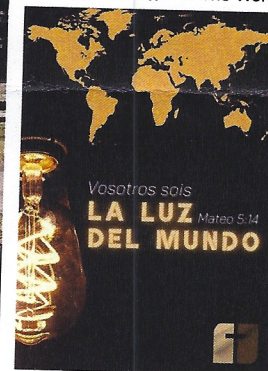
We want to close out this letter with a special prayer request. We are in need of a building to meet in as soon as things open up. Before things shut down we were meeting in a community center without any problems, however, it appears when things do open back up there is some doubt on if we will be able to use the building or not due to sanitaria concerns. Would you please pray with us for God to provide what we need to purchase and renovate a building, and would you pray and consider giving to help with this need. All gifts can be sent to the address listed below and marked "Grace Building Fund". As always, THANK YOU for all you have done and do so that we can do what we get to do!

In Christ,
Jamie



Juan Carlos sharing the gospel in a park near his home and where we meet.

Our theme for 2021,
"We Are The Light of The World"



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