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PLANTING CHURCHES IN AREQUIPA, PERU

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READ THIS LETTER AND PRAY!



When we first started Seminario Biblico Reformado 3 months ago, we had a dream to start seminary extensions all over Latin America. This dream was our 2 or 3-year goal, and we would never have imagined that within two months, we would be starting our first extension in Venezuela next month.

Venezuela has been in crisis for several years now, and people are fleeing the country by the thousands every day. While we have had the opportunity to minister to Venezuelan refugees here in Arequipa, our hearts have been burdened for those who have continued to stay in Venezuela but do not have access to missionaries or anyone who can come and help them.



(Pastor Christian and wife)

Rodny, who has been working with us in Arequipa since January, is from Venezuela. Through his contacts back home, he has helped us connect with a pastor named Christian who has eagerly agreed to help us start our first extension work! As of this

week, we currently have 24 Venezuelan students signed up to join us virtually every week starting in July. We are incredibly excited about this opportunity to minister to the people still in Venezuela that we cannot physically reach. We never would have imagined a few months ago that we would already be extending our seminary to not only another country, but a country who is in such desperate need of hope in training other pastors.

Pastor's Prayer Breakfast

Arequipa is a large city and growing every day. Sometimes in a large city, it is easy for pastors and missionaries to feel a little isolated and discouraged. We decided last month to host a Pastor's Prayer Breakfast at the seminary. We wanted to introduce





these pastors to our seminary, talk about the classes we offer, and introduce them to our theological library which is available to all pastors in Arequipa. We wanted to offer encouragement to our fellow brothers to continue ministering to the lost and hurting people of Arequipa. Most of all, we wanted to unite these men in a time of prayer for our city. Please pray with us for the pastors of Arequipa and that we can continue to facilitate a friendship and spirit of encouragement amongst them.

Operation Christmas Child

Have you ever wondered what happens to the Operation Christmas Child (OCC) boxes that get filled each Christmas time? We were privileged to experience firsthand what happens to those gifts after they leave the U.S. Last month, after participating in



training sessions put on by OCC, together with several of our church members, we were able to participate in an event to give out those boxes. We shared the gospel with the children and their families and invited them to church. We are currently hosting an OCC evangelism program through our Sunday School to continue mentoring the children who received the gift boxes. We have had several new participants in our church as a result of the event, including an all-girls orphanage in Arequipa.

We are thankful for events like these which help bring more people to our church and it was a blessing to be part of the exciting side of the Operation Christmas Child program.



Orientation for new students

To-The-Point Prayer Requests

- Pray for Pastor Christian and the new students that have signed up for our new extension in Venezuela!
- Thank you for praying for Nikki's sister, Lacey, who is battling brain cancer. Your prayers were heard and her treatments are bringing really encouraging results. Even so, the battle continues. Please keep praying!
- Praise for our teammates, the McCall family. They have reached 41%! Please consider supporting them so they can get here sooner and help us. We have so much to do! <https://tinyurl.com/JohnandLorena>
- Pray for Seminario Biblico Reformado and for the student body. Pray for the students as they start the new semester.
- Please pray for the members of our upcoming short term teams! Please pray that the Lord would use them mightily and that he would show them what he is doing here in Arequipa and call some to serve as long term missionaries!