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HANSEN'S IN CHILE

A MINISTRY BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER
AND PRAYER REQUESTS



"WHEN THE SCORNER IS PUNISHED, THE SIMPLE IS MADE WISE..."

ANSWER TO PRAYERS:

- *NEW BUILDING*

To learn from the mistakes of others by observing, or listening to others' opinions, and by taking counsel from others that are successful in communication may prevent learning the hard way; in September 2022 of this year, the people defeated Chile's new Constitution. It included a progressive character that presented legal insecurity that many Chileans saw as bizarre—ignoring that most Chilean voters identify as centrists. The Constitution was primarily described as unworldly and idealistic for its people. It could have put the country's many achievements in democracy at risk, particularly in the economic realm achieved over the past decades. However, just hours after the election Boric removed 6 of his progressive cabinet members to a more centered group. President Boric and the senate need to articulate a new draft seen as legitimate by the population and move quickly so its citizens and international investors don't lose patience. Additionally, the lifting of health mandates that had been in place since the pandemic also came with the restructuring of his cabinet. Although the country is free from the health mandates for now but ready to activate, we no longer must wear masks in public or show a current vaccine passport which came just short of the mandatory fifth vaccine dose.

"Finally, be ye all of one mind having compassion one of another,..."

Lisa and I cannot express enough the joy of having a permanent dwelling for the church. We could not have made the remodel without your commitment; thank you! Now we have the liberty to use our building without rental contracts or competing with public events and parties every weekend. Our new space has a more relaxed environment. While the building is encouraging, it affirms the sincerity of our ministry and those that we minister to weekly; the saints are important to both Lisa and me.

Atilio has been with me since I arrived here in Punta Arenas; while he had some personal obstacles to work out, I have had the pleasure of seeing his personal growth improve. I am excited to see him finish the last few months of college as he writes his dissertation for his engineering degree at the University of the Magallanes. Also, our new building serves as a classroom during the week for Christian studies. Benjamin has finished the first quarter of the program in English, and his ability to study the bible in English is impressive. I also have him doing some translation work for me. Benjamin's love for the Lord, mixed with his compassion sprinkled in



"...love as brethren. be pitiful, be courteous:..."

We had the addition of Atilio's mom, Laura, to the Sunday services. She had been attending a non-denominational church, and she said the church had problems with its leadership; committing is difficult and unenjoyable. She told Atilio that her Sunday service consisted of one verse out of the bible. Now she is interested to learn the different books of the bible. Atilio and his mom Laura sit together so that he can help her with the Bible.

discernment, allows him to present people with gospel tracts; that is how he met Albenis. Benjamin wrangled me into a personal visit one Saturday while Lisa waited in the car. Benjamin and I went into Albenis' house. I thought the visit would be about Albenis' salvation or the church, but instead, Albenis grabbed his backpack to join us for Saturday evangelism. After we spent the afternoon together fellowshiping and talking about the bible, he decided to join us in Sunday services the next day, 'gloria a Dios.' ('glory to God.')

'As we continue to minister to the saints, it is apparent that our communication is essential to God. Supposing He can demonstrate his creativity thru our spoken words, which is audible to the listener, conveying God's instructions and message of redemption to the world is worth improving how to communicate with our fellow man.'

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Benjamin to find a job
- Atilio dissertation and graduation
- Laura & Albenis church attendance
- Albenis christian growth in the bible

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