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## AUTUMN SEASON IS MISSION SEASON

### *Prayer*

- Edmonton, Alberta – Pray as I'll be sharing on sister-church partnerships at the Greater Edmonton Mission (GEM) conference and preaching at McKernan Baptist Church.
- Oklahoma City, Oklahoma – Please remember me in prayer as I co-teach a pre-conference workshop at the International Conference on Missions (ICOM). The workshop is on the 7 Standards of Excellence in Short-Term Mission and is being hosted by Mission Works, an organization I've been on the board of for 16 years.
- Field Director role for Hungary/Serbia – Pray for me as the full hand-off of this position takes place soon.
- For the Christmas/holiday season and all the events and gatherings my family and I will take part in.

### *Praises*

- Argentina and Brazil – It was an amazing experience; please read more below.
- Hungary and Serbia – (Also an amazing experience; please read my update below.
- For all of our ongoing sister-church partnerships in various stages of development and engagement in Brazil, Paraguay, Argentina, Cuba, Mexico, North Macedonia, Kosovo, Serbia, Hungary, Romania, and Cameroon.
- For more North American churches that are stepping up and engaging in sister-church partnerships.

*Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.*

PHILIPPIANS 4:3 (NRSV)



*Matt, Josh, and Aaron sharing about hope for addiction at ESEF Bible Institute in Campo Quijano, Argentina.*

Again, thanks for your continued prayers. Here are some highlights of the past couple of months.

### **Argentina and Brazil**

In September, I accompanied my Hispanics for Christ (HFC) colleagues to Salta, where we visited/collaborated with our partners the Gallos and the Vargas at their Bible training institute (ESEF). Three additional ministry leaders from Oregon joined us in reaching out to people struggling with addiction, and their families. We also traveled together with our Salta friends to



*Matt and Josh sharing Iglesia Cristiana Misionera in Salta, Argentina, with Tony Campos (HFC) translating.*



*Our group from the USA meeting with a new church plant in Campo Quijano, Argentina.*



*David Vargas (ICM Salta) in Porto Alegre, Brazil, with pastors from Uruguay at a church planting workshop.*



*Lucio Gallo (ICM Salta) and Geoff Hartt (HFC) teaching at the Porto Alegre, Brazil, church planting workshop.*

Porto Alegre, Brazil, where we met with church leaders from Uruguay (and a Venezuelan Spanish-speaking church in Porto Alegre). Our friends from Salta and HFC shared on church planting movements, and our other friends visited prisons and halfway houses to share on overcoming addictions.

### **Hungary and Serbia**

A few weeks later, in October, our MEK annual board meeting took place, in person AND virtually (some of our board members had contracted COVID while traveling to Albania) in Hatvan, Hungary. And I also had meetings and collaboration with the board of ZZ Serbia and their director Marijana Cizmanski in Novi Sad, Serbia. I

also had the chance to visit ZZ Serbia's primary ministry site: the Roma/Gypsy village of Donje Petrovski. All of these meetings are part of my emerging field director responsibilities in Hungary and Serbia.

Many opportunities continue to emerge for churches interested in integral, long-term (sister-church) partnership in many areas of the world. It's a way for your congregation to truly collaborate on a global, kingdom scale.

Please contact me at Gateway for more information on how to get your church involved.

For the Kingdom,

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