

The Alvarez Family

BBFI Missionaries to Uruguay, South America



Agustina, Ana, Emily & Lucía on Baptism Sunday

You will reap at due time...

This is a story of God's faithfulness.

Ana and Esteban met when they were Freshmen in High School. We reconnected with Ana a few years ago. She started attending church after a Grief Clinic we provided almost three years ago. Last year Ana got saved. Her 23 year old daughter Agustina came to church once; she had a lot of questions about God, faith, the Book of Revelation! Agustina came with her best friend Lucia. If you read our prior letters, Emily lead them to the Lord. A month ago they had another meeting with Emily when they expressed a genuine concern for their families. They had been listening and watching material about Revelation. Lucia at one point said "What is gonna happen with my family if Jesus returns and they aren't saved?". These three ladies got baptized three weeks ago. Lucia's family couldn't believe she decided to follow Jesus. Over and over her parents told her "they are going to brainwash you". But Lucia trusted the Lord from her heart and wants to be the best Jesus follower she can be. There days before her baptism, she called to see if we could meet with her and her boyfriend Guillermo. We met for almost three hours and at the end he made a profession of faith. Pray for him. He comes from a Jewish background. This has been an answer to our prayers. (Continue on page 2)



Noah's baptism

Noah is pastor Gabriel's son. A precious moment.



Ema's baptism

A 72 year old grandma. She's happy!!!



Ana's baptism

Out of Catholicism into a New Life in Christ.

(From page one) We knew God was working in their hearts. Many times Emily and I talked about “the day they get saved”... and GOD allowed us to see that day. On Baptism Sunday Lucia’s parents and boyfriend were there. They heard a Gospel presentation, they saw what took place. At the end of the service Lucía’s dad told Esteban “I can see that your church is a family, I can sense that”. But this doesn’t stop there.

Last week we started small groups and Agustina shared how a year ago she tried to end her life BUT God had a different plan. How she understood that she needed Him. We were quite surprised about how open she was about her personal struggle. She knew she needed more in life than a social status or a career (she is a Psychologist). What a miracle! Last Sunday Lucia brought her 32 year old cousin to church. She wanted to see with her own eyes in what kind of environment Lucia got herself into. Esteban was preaching about “How we need to live by faith and not by our emotions”. At the end of the service Esteban talked to Lucia’s cousin Viviana and she said “church is not for me”. When Esteban asked her about what emotions are the hardest to deal with, she responded “uncertainty”. So we are looking forward to having a conversation in the near future about how a life in God’s hands is secure, has purpose and has a certainty that no matter what happens everything is going to be fine.



BBFI Missionaries Mike and Sandy Todd were with us. Sandy spoke at our ladies banquet and Mike spoke at our first 2025 Men’s Gathering. They were a huge blessing to our church.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST

Our youngest son Nicolas fractured his collarbone during American Football practice. This was actually while Emily was having a meeting with Lucia and Agustina. See how the enemy tries harder when good things are happening? Nico is in good spirits, no surgery needed. He is going to have to be patient for two more months before he can play any contact sports. He misses playing the bass at church and is learning how to live life as a lefty. Thanks for praying for his healing.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST FOR EVELYN

You know how it is. Once you decide to follow Jesus that special type of warfare goes to the next level. And that is happening to Evelyn. She recommitted her life to Christ and decided to get baptized. Evelyn comes faithfully with her 4 year old son Gael who is autistic. Evelyn is separated from her abusive husband, who has a restraining order. Last night we had a late phone call that her ex husband took hin ankle bracelet off and the police had to rush to their house to put police protection on them. At 3:00 AM the police notified her that he was in custody again, but when Emily called her today, we noticed anxiety and fear in her voice. Please pray for her and her son.

