



Serving in Camp Ministry

With Gospel Mission of South America

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Our New "Security"

The Dan Thompsons in Chile

Last year at this time, we worked alongside a team from the US rebuilding the camp's fence. Out went the chain link with wooden post, and in went the galvanized welded mesh with metal posts. As winter set in we thought ahead of what our summer would be like with no more unwanted visitors. We felt a sense of security knowing this new fence would take care of some of the summertime stress and worry. As summer approached, we began realizing that maybe our confidence wasn't well founded. Were we as safe as we thought? Within the first week of summer, our sense of security was shattered when we realized people could still come in. As we grumbled about the fact that our new fence wasn't as perfect as we had thought, the Lord impressed on our hearts and minds our utter lack of trust in His protection. Our confidence rests not in our efforts, but in our Great God. As the summer wore on, a few people here and there snuck on camp to find firewood for their beach fires, but overall we had a quiet camping season thanks to our Great Protector. May our security be always in Him.



Break Down

Every year in January, we attend our mission's annual conference. Every other year we travel to Paysandu, Uruguay for the meetings which means a 26 hour drive. We don't mind the long days, the sometimes boring argentine pampa, but what is to much to bear is the heat which can reach 120 degrees with high humidity! Planning for this, we made sure to recharge our car's a/c before the trip. On our second day of travels with only 4 hours left, the car broke down. Temperatures were in the high 90's and we were stranded at a gas station.

Why Lord? Why now? We are almost there! Over the next two hours as the Lord amazingly provided an emergency mechanic who assessed the problem, bought the parts and had us on our way within no time, He reminded us of His sovereign hand. The recharge on the compressor for the air conditioning had put stress on the belt and shredded it. Had we broken down before or after, we would have been stranded a whole lot longer. So why Lord? Because his way is perfect.

Another Camp Season

How would we summarize this summer's (Nov-Feb) camping season? Well, first we would like to mention a few people. **Mary Anderson**, from Washington, served four weeks as part of our service staff: waiting tables, washing dishes, and cleaning bathrooms. Would you fly 5000 miles to serve? Thanks Mary for being a great example to us and the rest of the summer staff! **Miguel and Macarena**, a Chilean couple now working on camp with us, became our camp cooks for the summer. We are so grateful for their great cooking and even more for their testimonies. Having them in the kitchen allowed Liz to act as supervisor and also care for home and family. The testimony of our kitchen staff spoke volumes as to their love for the Lord.



Second, we enjoyed **great times of teaching** from God's Word. We are thankful for the speakers God provided to share His Word with kids, teens, and families. Each one faithfully proclaimed God's counsel on how to be "More Than Conquerors", our theme this year. Third, we are thankful for **transformed lives**. In each of the camps we heard the testimonies of many whose lives were impacted by His Word and returned home different than how they arrived. We give God the praise and glory for His working through the camp ministry this summer.

Thanking God for your prayers and financial support for our family.

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