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Ventura, Adventures in Chile. October 2017

Ventura Islanda newsletter, missionaries to Chile.

PSALM 23 – "The Lord is my shepherd...He makes me lie down in green pastures."

Spring has arrived in Chile! After surviving the cold days of winter, nature has put on a refreshing green color. The Gospel caused a similar rebirth to happen 500 years ago. After many years of spiritual cold and darkness, God used a man named Martin Luther to announce that there is a God who is close to us; who through the life, death and resurrection of His son, Jesus Christ, showed us His love, forgiveness and peace – the "green pastures" of the christian spring! In Christ, God refreshes and revives the human heart through grace. Luther said: "The authentic and true treasure of the church is ...the Holy Gospel through the magnificent grace of God."



WE'VE ARRIVED, BUT HAVEN'T QUITE ARRIVED!

"I preach as if Christ was crucified yesterday, resurrected today and is coming back tomorrow."

We are still in Santiago! However, we trust in the promises of our Triune God, and await the next step of His plan for us to share the message of faith and hope to the people of Constitution, Chile. Our goal is to proclaim "Christ Alone", the one and only mediator between God and mankind, to the people in Maule Region of Chile.

We have been called as missionaries, and for this reason we need your prayers and financial support for our ministry. The Confessional Lutheran Church of Chile will provide our housing, **but my salary depends totally on the contributions received from people like you.** So, we are in Santiago – raising funds so that we can begin ministry in Constitution.

It is an adventure of faith, and we trust in Jesus as our Good Shepherd, who will

take us to those green pastures. If you wish to support us in this ministry, click on the link below. Thank you so much for joining our "team"!



NEW OPPORTUNITIES

The Christian does not live for himself, but for Christ and his neighbor...for Christ, through faith and for his neighbor through love.

We thank our Good Shepherd for providing a recent evaluation and continued treatment for Adrianny's dermosclerosis. She saw dermatologist who evaluated her to be in a "stable" condition. However, the doctor called for more testing and prescribed several medications. We ask for your prayers concerning this new challenge for our family.



IT'S STILL ALL ABOUT CHRIST...

"Our task is to take the Gospel to the cars and God will take it from the ears to he heart."

Recently we have visited congregations of the ILC-Chile and participated in several activities. We regularly take part in the mission located in the Providencia neighborhood in Santiago as well as the "mother church", La Cruz de Cristo, in another part of the city. We have visited Region V where Espiritu Santo Lutheran Church is located. There have been many ctivities related to the 500th anniversary of he Lutheran Reformation.



"Thank you, Lord Jesus, for the opportunities to serve with the gifts and talents you have given us."

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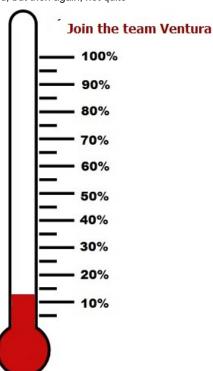
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CELEBRATING THE 500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION

On Sunday, October 29, we had a special joint worship service with brothers and sisters from "La Cruz de Cristo" congregation and the mission in Providencia to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran reformation.



Prayers:

"Prayer is not to change God's plans. It is so that we trust and rest in the sovereign will of God.

We thank God

- for Josue's birthday in October!.
- For allowing us to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in with the Confessional Lutheran Church of Chile (ILC-Chile).
- For the city of Constitucion, for planting a new church there, and for the planning of an after school program.
- For the many immigrants arriving to Chile; that God would open doors for us to help meet their needs.

If you want to know more about our future ministry in Chile, we have a virtual presentation that we would love to share with you.

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