

To the Ends of the Earth

CHILE MISSION NEWS FROM JIM AND LIISA TINO

May 2019

In This Issue...

Fun Fact!

Prayers and Praise

Tooling up for service!

Cesar's story

Everyday missionaries

Want to print this newsletter?




Printable (pdf) editions of this newsletter - and any of our previous newsletters - are [available online here](#).

Quick Links

+ [Tino web page](#) (blog, photos, prayer requests)

+ [Support Corner](#)

 Like us on Facebook

Fun Fact:

Dear James,

(Jesus said,) "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."
(Matthew 25:40)

Who are "the least of these"? We can think of the very young, the very old, the unborn, the poor, the sick. The immigrants. The refugees. Most Christians I know have a heart for the needy and vulnerable among us and quickly act to help them when the opportunity arises. The beauty of helping the destitute is that you do so without expecting anything in return. It is an opportunity for selfless service... or should I say, Jesus-style service.

Sometimes we wonder how we can serve God: *I'm not a musician. I'm not a preacher. I'm not a Sunday School teacher.* Jesus identified himself very clearly with the needy in our midst: "...you do so unto Me." When we help someone in need, we are serving Jesus. Directly. Personally. What can you do to serve Jesus? A listening ear. A friendly invitation. A looser grip on the wallet. An introduction to the right person. *(Jesus said,) "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."*



Tooling up for service!

The month of May has been full of activity. But we would like to highlight 2 workshops that will happen at the end of the month: "Preparing and Leading a Dynamic Sunday School Class" and "Equipping the Saints". Liisa hopes to have several new volunteers join the 2 current teachers at her Saturday workshop on teaching the Bible to children. Preparation and creativity are key!

We are also praying for a good turn-out at the Equipping the Saints workshop sponsored by Lutheran Hour Ministries on Sunday afternoon. It will focus on God's design for the priesthood of all believers to be prepared to give a personal testimony of their faith as a



Bring on the heat!



Liisa and Luis David get warm by the heater.

We are in mid-Fall here in Chile, heading into winter! With the onset of the cold weather (last night got below freezing), indoor HEAT becomes an issue. Since there is so much seismic activity in Chile, houses and buildings are designed and constructed without internal ductwork, which would weaken the structure. This means that there is no such thing as "central A/C" or "central heat". Instead, there are literally dozens of models of "space" heaters or room heaters. Kerosene and electric heaters are common, but the most efficient and effective are the heaters that use compressed natural gas. The heater in the photo above runs on CNG and is effective for large spaces. An 11 kg bottle of gas costs about \$20 and lasts for about two weeks.

natural way of sharing the Gospel. This is an important step in church-planting! Read more to find out how the Saints are beginning to show maturity...



The least of these... Cesar's story

Although the rehab center is located at our sister congregation in Santiago, we are very much involved as well. Liisa goes twice a week to lead classes and Jim participates in devotions and other activities. One of the "clients", or students, who has impacted us is Cesar.



Cesar entertains a fellow student and a teacher aide at Casa Betesda.

Cesar's life began in unfavorable conditions. His mother had been raped. It was a complicated birth resulting in lack of oxygen that caused him to be born with cerebral palsy. He was neglected until an aunt reached out and began to care for him. Despite this rough beginning, Cesar has a positive, hopeful outlook on life!

He is now 33 years old and is realizing his dream to be a motivational speaker. The teachers and therapists at our rehab center have worked with him to be able to communicate this message of hope and confidence in Christ as a public speaker. His "charla" (message) is entitled "Surfing the Waves", and he has presented it to school children, youth, and groups of adults about ten different times so far. His testimony speaks volumes as to the grace of God!

Casa Betesda is a ministry of the Confessional Lutheran Church of Chile. To learn more about Casa Betesda (in spanish) and/or donate, [click here](#).

To view a video (in spanish) of Liisa's work at Casa Betesda, [click this one](#).

Prayers & Praise

* We thank God for three people who are more



The least of these: Everyday Missionaries

than half-way through confirmation class and for several new friends who are about to begin!

*** Pray for the Sunday School** at our mission- that the number of children will increase and that the teachers will be confident and excited about teaching them about Jesus!

*** We thank God for our mothers** and the way they raised us in the fear and knowledge of the Lord. We pray for all the young mothers in our family - that God would bless them with His love, wisdom and joy.

*** Pray for our daughter, Nika**, as she nears the end of her studies to become a chiropractor. Pray for a fantastic internship experience, and that she will pass all of her final tests.

*** Praise God** for how GLO continues to reach out around the world! **Pray for 2 upcoming conferences** where Jim will be inspiring Africans to take an active role in missionary-sending: in Kenya and Nigeria!

*** Ask God to equip** the members of our mission **with boldness and willingness to tell others about their faith** in Jesus.

*** We pray that YOU will be empowered** to share your story with others of what Christ has done in your life as well!

*** Praise the Lord** that the attendance at the mission is growing and **pray that we find a larger place to rent soon!**

*** Thank God that with your help, we were able**

In our last update we reported that the mission is growing. A few of the new contacts were affiliated with the Lutheran church in Venezuela. However, the majority were not. One of our members became a Christian in Venezuela when she met her Lutheran boyfriend. When



Corali (standing) surrounded by 5 friends she invited to church!

Corali immigrated to Chile, it was important for her to connect with a church and she has become one of our best evangelists! How? She's a great listener (and talker!) and has an empathetic heart.

Whenever one of her many friends shares a problem with her, she explains that she has found the solution in Jesus! She tells them how God has worked in her life and tells them about "the family" of support that she has found at our church. Many of them visit our service or a special activity!

And then there's Sandi! This 6-year-old girl lives at our mission house while her mother works as a nanny during the week. She is a happy, imaginative and energetic little first grader. When her older sister asks her to do something, she is obedient and respectful. When she comes home from school, she runs around to greet everyone in the house. AND, whenever there is an activity at the church, she is there to chat and lend a hand. On more than one occasion mothers have been impressed when their child spends time playing with Sandi, and then ask if they can come back to go to Sunday School with Sandi! Actions of love and respect, even from the littlest, are noticed!



Sandy shows off her find at our Easter Egg hunt!

SUPPORT CORNER

We praise God for each of you, our "mission partners". In addition to providing our living expenses, your financial contributions have also been supporting our growing immigrant ministry in Santiago!

Financial Support Level



Months of ministry funding currently on hand: 4.2

to send 50,000 doses of medicine to Venezuela.

* **Pray** that God would continue to use **Global Lutheran Outreach** to share the Hope we have in the Risen Christ all around the world **through the work of our 34 missionaries!**

[To support our ministry online, click here.](#) One-time or automated contributions are available.

OR

Mail a check to:

Global Lutheran Outreach
6709 Ficus Dr.
Miramar, FL

(Put "Tino - Chile" on the memo line of the check.)

Our Mailing Address



If you are planning to mail us something (or visit us!), our address is:

James y Liisa Tino
Las Nevadas 2988
Providencia
Santiago, R.M.
Chile

Hey Thrivent Members!

Choice Dollars charitable grant funds make a world of difference to missionaries through our **Global Missionary Fund**, which supplies dollars to missionaries who experience a shortfall in funding.

Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply go to:

Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.



THRIVENT CHOICE®
ENROLLED ORGANIZATION [Learn More](#)

Global Lutheran Outreach is a 501 (c) 3 tax-exempt organization. All contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by the Internal Revenue Service.



Try it FREE today.

Global Lutheran Outreach | 6709 Ficus Drive | Miramar | FL | 33023