

August Prayer Update 2024



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Serving the Lord in Uruguay



Dear Friends,

August was moving month! We were battling persistent mould problems in our old place and had started looking for a new rental in October last year. At the end of July, a place came up and so we began to prepare for the move. Our new home is only 25 minutes walk away from our old one, but it was nothing short of a huge community effort! We've been here a week now, and we're really grateful to be settling into our new home and neighbourhood. For those who were following our frequent Facebook group updates and praying in the lead up to the move - thank you for upholding us in prayer!

In this prayer letter, we want to share some of the ways God provided for us during a busy and stressful few weeks, so that you might thank him with us!

The apartment

We know no place is perfect, but this new apartment gets pretty close! It's an answer to many of our prayers and even unprayed wishes. It's in an excellent location: just as accessible as our previous place, but has more of a suburban feel to it, with more parks and open spaces in the neighbourhood. It's semi-furnished, with all the extra furniture Joy has been hunting secondhand deals for over the last year or so. It's got an extra bedroom for guests, something we've always wanted but never thought could be possible. The owners are lovely, and we've already met another family in the building with three kids with similar ages to ours!



An extra bedroom with day bed included - perfect for overnight guests and Joy's one-to-ones when Pedro has a MOCLAM class on at the same time!

The car spot

The only real downside to the apartment is that it doesn't come with a garage/parking space. Parking on the street isn't an option, so for three weeks we weren't quite sure where we'd leave the car. But just one day after we moved in, God provided a car space through a lady from church. We are now renting her neighbour's secure car spot, which is only a few minutes walk from our place, and at a great price!

The move

This is our third home since we arrived in Uruguay in January 2020, and it was, by far, the best move. We have been so encouraged to see how integrated into Uruguayan life we are now. We had a much better idea of what our legal rights were and how to get through the paperwork. And we had the local knowledge to plan a smooth move. But the best thing was seeing how many dear people God had brought into our lives over the past five years, Christians and non-Christians with willing, helpful, and skillful hands! We had friends helping us with the rental contract, friends and contacts who were keen to buy the furniture and white goods we couldn't take with us, a week's worth of dinners cooked for us, friends with cars and vans to help us with the move, friends helping with babysitting while we packed and others who came to do the packing for us. We even had friends help us make repairs in our old place so we could return it in a better condition than we had received it. Praise God!

Moving is always exhausting, but we have felt incredibly blessed throughout the whole process. It has been a great joy to see how far God has brought us in our life here in Uruguay, the community he has built around us, as well as the faithful community of pray-ers we have back in Australia! And we love our new place!



Our first meal in our new home, made with love by a friend from church.

Thank God

- for our new home, and his kindness to us in many ways through it.
- for the way we have experienced the love of our community here, especially of Christ's body during the move.
- for his provision in all the details of the move, including resolving many complications.
- that one MOCLAM group is underway with two more to start in the next couple of weeks.



We very nearly couldn't pick up the keys as planned due to money transfer delays - but God allowed the money to arrive four hours before we needed it! Mark and I thought that was worth celebrating with an ice cream on the way home.

Please pray

- for the new apartment to be a good ministry base, where people hear the gospel, experience its fruit, and are built up by it.
- for better attendance in the CBU's Bible studies.
- for students to grow in the faith and be equipped for ministry through MOCLAM and one-to-ones.
- for Pedro's trip to Chile (Sept 6-9) to give talks on 1-3 John at the annual GBU leaders training camp (IFES movement in Chile). Please pray for Pedro's teaching and serving opportunities, and for Joy and the kids back at home.

Thank you for upholding us in prayer!

From Pedro and Joy, with Mark, Zoe and Emilia

Write back to us!

*"Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit
that increases to your credit."*

Philippians 4:17

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