



## **Praises**

Mother's Day went really well and everybody left encouraged in the Lord.

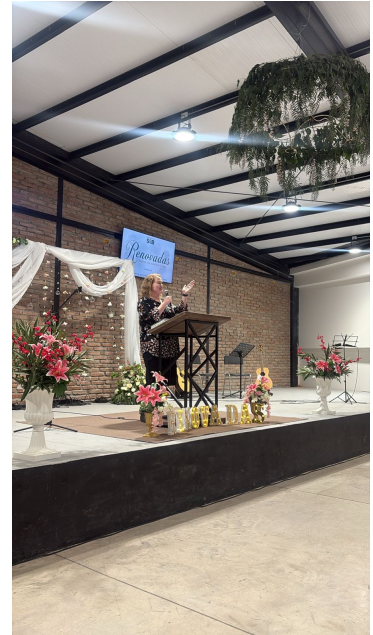
Leslie spoke at her first ladies' conference and did a great job.

## **Prayer Requests**

May was a month mostly dedicated to the ladies, while June is for the men. Please pray our outreaches and men's meeting will go very well and can be an encouragement to the men in the church.

"I've learned more in my six months here than in all my years of being a Christian." This was what one lady in our church who has been a Christian for years told Leslie and me as we sat down for discipleship with her one evening. She's a lady who loves to have a good time and is constantly joking, but it's great to hear that in the middle of all that, she's learning and growing in her faith. And she's not the only one. We have several people involved in discipleship that are growing spiritually, and it's exciting to see.

That was probably my favorite quote that I heard throughout May, but there were many other exciting things happening in the life of the church. For Mother's Day, we invited people from the community and had a delicious breakfast casserole that Leslie made. I spoke on I Samuel 1 and 2, and then we honored all the mothers who were with us. It was a blessing to see some visitors, as well as some who were returning for the second or third time. Praise the Lord, we're receiving more and more families coming to church, as well as getting involved in various ministries like nursery and ushering.



Leslie received her biggest Spanish teaching assignment yet this month. She got to teach a session at a ladies' conference in which nearly 200 ladies were present. She studied really hard and did a great job (Or so I hear. I wasn't there but would've liked to have been for at least that part!)

I also was able to take a survey trip this month with missionaries Joe and Hallie Taylor to the city of Antofagasta. They're going to be starting a church sometime in the next year or so, and they asked for my help in looking at how ministry would work in that city. There's very little gospel influence there, and I love Antofagasta, so I still haven't even ruled it out myself after our term in Santiago. We both love Santiago, though, so it wouldn't be an easy thing to leave if we ever did, but we're open to whatever the Lord wants. As for now, my heart is completely dedicated to Joy Baptist in Independencia, while also realizing the day will come that we leave and plant a church somewhere else.

Thank you all as always for your prayers and support for us. God bless you!

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