

December 2009

The last month of 2009, has shown some of the greatest fruits of our 5 years here in Argentina. We are very grateful for how many blessings we have seen and we want to share a few of them with you.

On Friday December 11th, we held the first graduation of the Macedonia Baptist Institute, a full-time school to prepare servants for God's work. There were 5 men who graduated and we are praising the Lord for the wonderful ceremony and testimonies given by the men who graduated. The men are already working in the Lord's work, which is a great encouragement to us on the mission field. One of the young men is the pastor at the Grace Baptist Church, another young man is the assistant pastor at the Lighthouse Baptist Church, another young man is the youth director, another young man is the Evangelism/Discipleship director and the other man helps with the sound equipment. We praise the Lord for their lives as well as those that will continue studying next year.

The next biggest event was our visitation the Saturday before our 5th Anniversary. There were over 50 people to go passing out invitations for our big day and it was an exciting moment for us to see church people doing God's work – getting out of the church and into the streets to bring people in to God's House.

Both Grace Baptist Church as well as Lighthouse Baptist Church celebrated their 5th Anniversary in the month of December and it was a blessing to see how God worked. Pastor Matias Aguilera of the Grace Baptist Church (a now graduate of the Institute) did a great job of organizing and bringing people and God blessed the service.

The Lighthouse Baptist Church had passed out around eleven thousand invitations, prayed thoroughly, invited people and placed a goal of seeing 300 people for the special service. The anniversary service was called "Day of the Community" and the goal was to open the church doors to the community. God blessed greater than we could have imagined and over 420 people showed up for the service!!! The city representative was present and we honored him, along with a policeman, a certificate for his service in our community. Our church building had recently been enlarged and every possible area was filled. The Gospel was sang, testified and preached and God was given the glory.

Our family is doing well and we are excited about our new addition that will be born in April. We are expecting our 4th girl and praising the Lord that both momma and baby's health are fine. Please pray for my wife during the last part of her pregnancy.