

# PARAGUAY 2014

My friend emailed me the day we left to tell me she was praying Psalm 139:5 for me and the team. I am so thankful the Lord goes before us, behind us and has His hand on us. Knowing that truth enables us to step out by faith and trust Him to take care of the details. He directed us to the nice Delta agent that allowed 14 suitcases, each weighing 51-53 pounds, to go through; safe flights, no issues in customs and strength for each of us to step out of our comfort zone. I was thrilled to finally meet the missionaries. Jackie is a second generation missionary, the daughter of Clint and Rita Vernoy, whom I worked with in the jungle of Venezuela back in 2001 and 2003. She had already left for college but now she, her husband Brian and their four girls have a wonderful ministry at the children's home and Christian school. We treated the 277 children at the school including the 34 children in the children's home. Thank you for giving and enabling us to take several outfits and tennis shoes to each child. They were thrilled! I almost cried when one thin, little boy held up his new blue jeans in front of his khaki pants with holes. He was all smiles!



During our two days of community health clinic at the school, we treated about 160 people. We took their blood pressure, glucose; the doctor heard their health concerns; some received glasses; the children



received fluoride on their teeth; everyone received at least vitamins. Then each spoke to a counselor, who shared the good news of the gospel and an invitation to return to the evangelistic service on Sunday night. Kammy said to June, "I get it now. It's really all about getting them to that corner, isn't it?"



She's right, we do want to meet their physical needs but most of all, we want them to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We praise the Lord for the two ladies that prayed for salvation during clinic and the one that shared through tears how her church gives her a list of things she has to do in order to get to heaven. Jackie had a wonderful opportunity to show her truths from the Bible that Jesus has done it all and by His grace, we can be saved. She didn't accept Him but seeds were planted and they will follow-up with her. Since the evangelistic



service followed the World Cup final, we were nervous that the crowd would be slim but God had that detail covered as well with approximately 150 in attendance and several going forward for salvation. One man came to the clinic, came back to the service on Sunday, was saved and brought two of his grandchildren to Vacation Bible School on Monday. Krista did an amazing job of working with the children every day during clinic, the service and VBS despite the language barrier, each child heard that Jesus loves them and gave His life for them.



Hogar Norma is a home for the mentally handicapped, operated by sweet Paraguayan Christians. As I watched the directors and workers care for each patient with love and observed the cleanliness of the home, I knew they were called by God to that ministry. Dr. Carr checked each patient: I tried to interpret their medicine from the Spanish name to the English name and I had asked Kammy to bring her blood pressure cuff. As I was standing there waiting for Doc to finish his examination, I heard Kammy softly say, "Jesus loves you." I was overwhelmed at the details God had orchestrated. He didn't need her to take vitals, He wanted her to whisper His name, the name that is above every name, to each of His children. I'm so thankful that Kammy was obedient to that still small voice, prayed for them and told them what everyone in the world needs to know, "Jesus loves you." Thank you so much for partnering with me to take the prescription, Jesus Christ, to a hurting world! Please pray for our team going to Honduras, July 26-August 2. The dates for the Brazil medical mission trip have been changed to September 30 to October 11, 2014. Send your \$1100 for your airfare immediately if you are interested in joining this team.



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