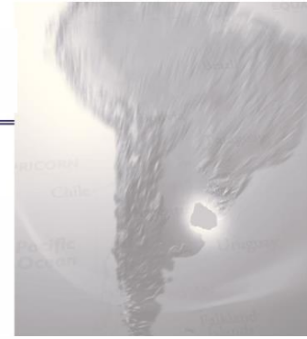


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PLANTING AND ASSISTING CHURCHES IN **URUGUAY**

I always try to summarize our activities on one page for you, but this time I'm not sure I can do that! This first page is a breakdown of our summer ministry, and the rest tell the story through pictures! Thank you for praying!



A Flurry in the Warmth

December, January, and February are warm and busy for us in Uruguay. As soon as we returned to Uruguay from the States in November, we braced ourselves for the flurry of activities that awaited: directing our full-time summer seminary, building a fellowship hall with the help of one of our supporting churches, leading in our children's camp, and participating in the normal activities of our church. The highlight of every summer is our students and how God is working in and through them.

Student Activities

We grew this summer both administratively (*stretched* might be the better word!) and numerically. For the first time in our seminary, this year we had female students. Our co-workers, the Perezes, were kind to open their home to these girls since we do not yet have a place for them to stay (please keep praying for that corner building!). Our core activities included 10 biblical classes complete with projects and exams, participation in children's and teen camps, a missionary trip to *Nueva Palmira*, and evangelism in Colonia. Many people come together to make our seminary possible, not the least of which are you who pray and give toward our scholarship fund! Your sacrifice and faith energize our students in all their activities.

As the Dust Settles

Because of the busyness of furlough and seminary, and for the first time in over a year, Micki and I feel like we can settle into a more normal pace of life and ministry. Owen went back to school on Monday. Micki will homeschool him in the mornings, and in the afternoons, he will be going to one of the better public schools in our city. Our Friday night institute begins in a couple of weeks, and I have a few video and writing projects that will eventually circulate through Amazon, YouTube, and the Spanish arm of Logos Software.

Prayer Requests

- That our students flee youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace (2 Ti. 2:22).
- That we can acquire the corner building in God's good time and as soon as possible (see pics below).
- Micki and I would love to move to El Real (location of the seminary). Please pray that we sell our apartment and gain the resources necessary to build on our parcel of land there.
- Micki's health: gluten and inflammation have nagged her ever since Owen was born.
- Luis and Mariana: to make a long story short, these Christian friends came to us from a Gotham-like Uruguayan city in search of purer air. Luis is waiting for a lung transplant and is not doing well. They are staying in one of the houses on our serene church and seminary property while they wait.

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This was our group this summer. The pretty, happy looking girl at center-right made awesome lunches.



Faith Baptist of Davison, MI, helped us build a Fellowship Hall.



Faith also helped clean and prep a house for Luis.



The puppets were a big hit in Nueva Palmira! Here, and in Colonia, the children responded well to the lessons.



We write, print, and fold our own tracts for distribution in Colonia and the rest of the world (seminariobc.org).



Rodney Fitzsimmons from the Carpenter's Project often comes to help teach in the seminary and to scout building project opportunities. This year, he taught Theology Proper. He is waiting with us for the acquisition of the property below.

Somebody is excited about his first day of school!



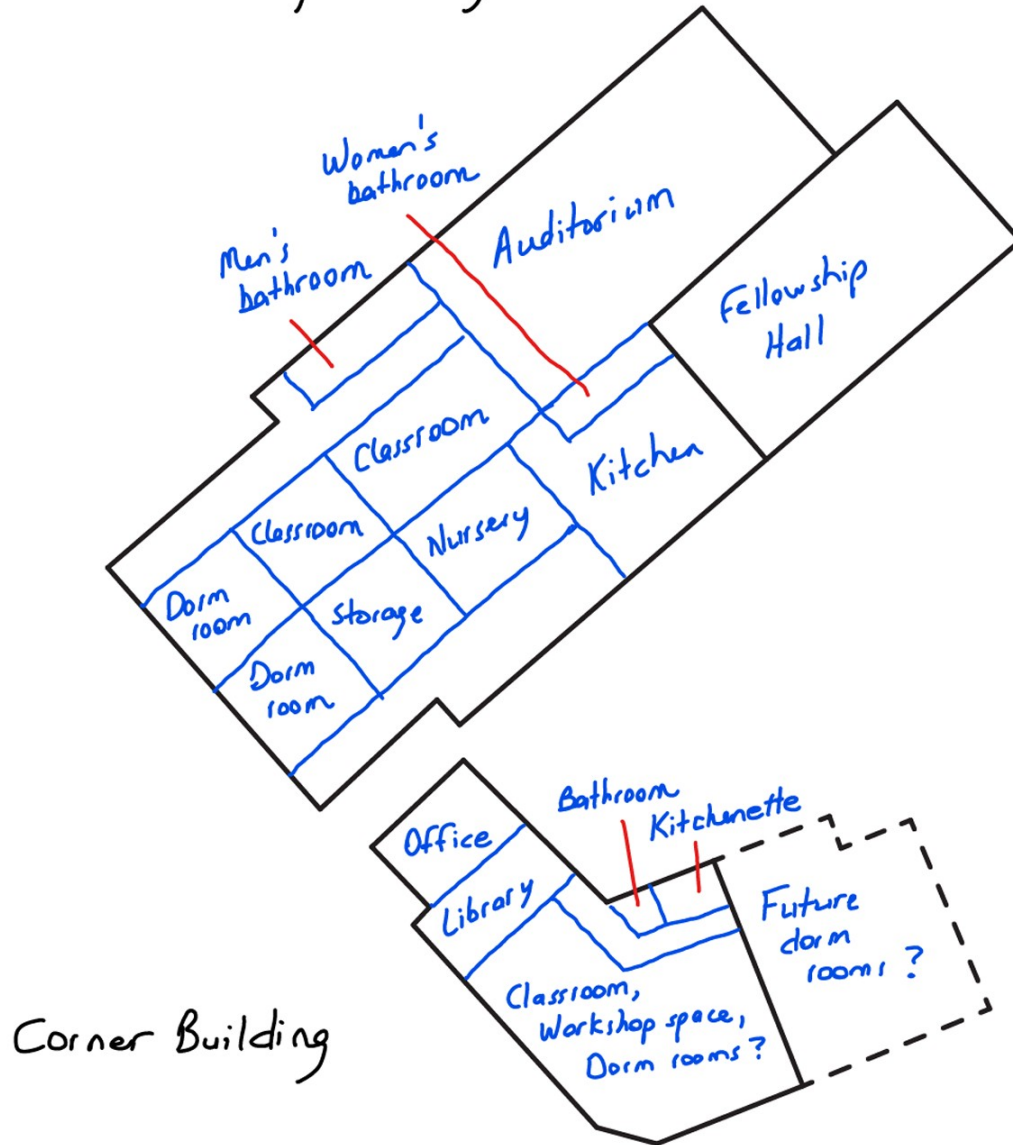
Thank you for your continued prayers for the acquisition of this corner property. Below you will find my sketch of a possible floor plan. The small orange apartments attached behind are not included but could be a future acquisition. Renovation plans would include new matching doors for the seminary and this building.

Possible Floor Plan for Corner Building

Church and Seminary of Colonia, Uruguay

*I have attached an aerial view of the corner building from Google maps. As you can see, there is much to renovate. Fortunately, the foundation and structure are solid, and the preexisting rooms fit well with our design. The small apartments to the right of the building are marked by dashed lines. They have a separate owner and could be a future acquisition for the church and seminary.

Church & Seminary Building





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