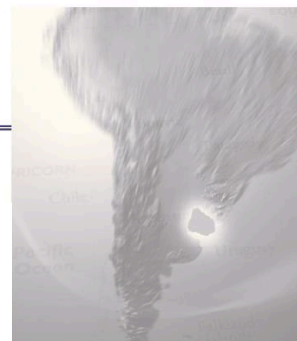


PLANTING AND ASSISTING CHURCHES IN **URUGUAY**

Micki, Owen and I have been travelling to the city of Nueva Palmira on Sunday mornings to help Pastor Juan Terry and his wife Andrea with their new church plant. On the 15th, we helped the children act out “Things that Mary treasured in her heart”. That evening, we were back in Colonia!

**Colonia Christmas Program**

Our Colonia churches celebrated Christmas this year by presenting the Spanish version of “A Son is Given” by Majesty Music. The play depicts a judge who must declare a verdict on a young man who fled the scene of an accident. Years earlier, the same young man had killed the judge’s son while driving under the influence. Despite the judge’s turbulent emotions and a hostile plaintiff nudging him to get vengeance, the judge decides to forgive the defendant and even pays his bail so the young man can be with his dying mother for Christmas. Our church, along with many visitors, heard the gospel beautifully presented thanks to our team of directors, actors, and singers!

Our Seminary is Growing!

We kicked off the start of our summer seminary with a visit from a beloved missionary and teacher, Rodney Fitzsimmons of the Carpenter’s Project. Along with his class on Homiletics, the students are learning principles of interpretation in Dispensationalism and how to think biblically in a class we call “Critical Thinking.” Half of our students attend virtually until January when all of us can be together. Don’t miss the picture below! The virtual students appear on the new giant smart screen that we acquired for our seminary this year! We are blessed with a solid group of twelve young people studying full-time.

Our seminary has a growing presence in Uruguay, and through our YouTube channel has a growing presence in all the world. In November I published a video that explains the discovery, translation, and importance of a Greek inscription on a third century church floor that was found in Megiddo, Israel. It declares that Jesus is God! And, as of today, it has received 133,000 views! This video has popularized a few of our other biblical translation videos that dismiss some of the claims made by Jehovah’s Witnesses and other cults. You can watch the video by searching for “el mosaico de megido” and clicking on the one produced by our seminary, *El Seminario Bautista de Colonia*. You can get a decent translation by clicking on the sprocket on the lower portion of the video and choosing “auto-translate” with English captions.

Feliz Navidad!

Micki, Owen and I want to wish you a very merry, Christ-centered Christmas! We are so grateful for the friends and supporters God has given to us through the years, and often pray for you and praise God for you. We will be making a brief visit to the U.S. over Christmas to be with family and appreciate your prayers for safe travels and effective ministry. You will hear from us again after the New Year!

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Our seminary (and some institute) students who attended “Homiletics” with Rodney Fitzsimmons.



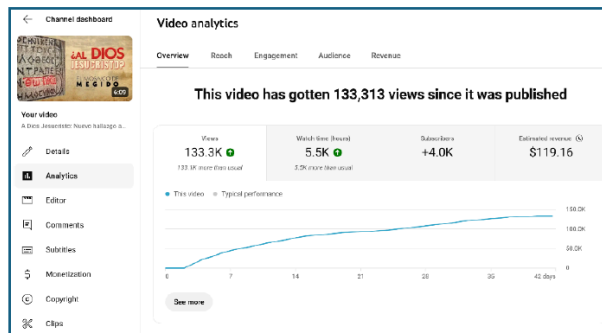
Micki is coaching the kids as they prepare to act out their parts in Nueva Palmira.



Lots of the parents came and heard a clear presentation of the gospel.



I was asked to play the judge in “a Son is Given”.



It has been exciting to see the progress of this video.