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July 2025

Pastor Robert Merino
Moche, Peru

Moche Baptist Church has begun formalizing church membership with 23 primary members. They celebrated Father’s Day with an evangelistic program. Women’s and youth ministries are growing, teaching biblical topics. Pray for the four men chosen to assist the pastor in leadership.



Pastor Gustavo Gonzalez
Artigas, Uruguay

Pastor Gustavo and Irene thank supporters for their faithfulness. A men’s meeting united pastors from Uruguay, fostering fellowship. The Winter Youth Conference, “Running for the Medal,” from June 30 to July 2, features Pastor David González.

Pastor Samuel Quispe Chuco
Cusco, Peru

Sicuaní Baptist Church grows with new believers at Sunday meetings. A missionary trip blessed new Christians, and a choir of children and youth worship God. The church supports youth academically and preaches via radio, delivering hope. Food

distributions share the gospel. Pray for outreach to unreached families.

Pastor Eliab Hernández
Monclova, Mexico

At Bethel Baptist Church, The “Disciple Makers” conference on June 7-8 emphasized biblical discipleship. The church celebrated its anniversary and Father’s Day, sharing the gospel. Pray for the “Reflecting Jesus” youth camp, July 15-18.

Pastor Yonathán García
Rivera, Uruguay

In Rivera, the García family sows gospel seeds, evangelizing in plazas. They met Rosi and Valentino, who may visit again, and shared salvation with Iuri, a young man. Bibles were distributed, thanks to BEME. Pray for Iuri’s heart and continued outreach.



Pastor Lukas Gonzalez

Córdoba, Argentina

Welcoming New Faces

In the heart of Unquillo, Córdoba, Argentina, the Unquillo Biblical Baptist Church is thriving under Pastor Lukas Gonzalez's leadership. This June, the church welcomed two new attendees: Iván, eager to dive into Bible studies, and Lautara's grandmother, who joined after persistent invitations from her grandson. Their presence marks a joyful step in the church's growth, fostering hope for deeper community ties.



Spreading the Gospel

The church's outreach efforts are bearing fruit. Pastor Lukas and his team have been sharing the gospel at key city spots, distributing tracts, and inviting locals to services. Three individuals—Lucas, Martina, and Aaron—have expressed interest in visiting, sparking prayers for their salvation and continued engagement.

Building and Balancing

Amidst ministry, the church is enhancing its meeting space, located down a dead-end passageway. New signage and social media accounts on Instagram and Facebook aim to boost visibility. Pastor Lukas and his wife, Julieta, juggle these tasks with family life, raising their baby, Kael. Though time is scarce, newer members are stepping up, aiding with maintenance and cleaning.

A Call for Prayer

Pastor Lukas requests prayers for wisdom in balancing family, ministry, and resources, grateful for the support that sustains their mission. "Your love encourages us," he shares, united in serving Christ.

Pastor Julio De Santis

Huachipa, Peru

Welcoming New Believers

At Iglesia Bautista Basilio Auqui, Pastor Julio and his family are steadfast in their mission to glorify Jesus Christ. Their church thrives with regular Sunday services, steadily drawing new souls to salvation. Weekly evangelism efforts bring visitors, enriching the congregation's fellowship and faith.

Strengthening Community Bonds

Midweek prayer services on Wednesdays highlight the power of collective prayer, with new and seasoned believers witnessing God's work in their lives. The children's club flourishes every Saturday, welcoming new children, while



the youth group grows, with two new members joining this month—one a direct result of Friday night sports outreach, where the gospel follows friendly games.

Discipleship and Celebrations

Discipleship progresses, with the first group of new believers nearing baptism, paving the way for a new group. Mother's and Father's Day events drew non-believing families, resulting in two families opening their homes to church visits, fostering opportunities to share God's Word.

Spreading the Mission

Pastor Julio was able to visit the city of Sullana for the missionary congress, where he preached at three churches, inspiring continued mission work. Back home, a newly equipped church kitchen—complete with a donated refrigerator and stove—awaits a hood, sustained by faithful prayers.

Pastor Edwin Tobar Quispe

Cusco, Peru

Faithful Gatherings

In San Jerónimo-Patapata, Cusco, Peru, Pastor Edwin, sent by Calvary Baptist Church, continues to serve with his family with joy. June saw consistent Sunday and Wednesday gatherings at their church, fostering steadfast fellowship. A guest preacher from the sending church uplifted the congregation with God's Word, strengthening their faith.

Equipping and Encouraging

Pastor Edwin attended a week-long pastoral training at Ven-id Baptist Church, gaining valuable insights to lead effectively. The family also visited their sister church, I.B.I. Come forth, for its anniversary, sharing a special program that blessed both churches through worship and God's Word.

Nurturing the Next Generation

The church's Sunday school thrives, with children growing in faith through weekly teachings. A new Saturday children's club launched successfully, drawing many

young attendees to hear the gospel. The family prays for a teacher to split classes by age, enhancing learning.

Building Community

Post-service sharing and sports activities deepen congregational bonds, reflecting the church's commitment to fellowship. Looking ahead, an evangelistic event is planned for July 28, with prayers for new believers' baptisms, including Melissa and Alexander.

Prayer Needs

Pastor Edwin requests prayers for a couple struggling in their marriage, Evaristo and Eva, and also for their family's health, and the salvation of children in their programs, trusting God to guide their mission.



Pastor Glenn Ramírez

Mairana, Bolivia

Growing Congregations

In Mairana, Santa Cruz, Bolivia, the Ramírez family, led by Glenn and Celma, joyfully serves in Christ's name. Their Sunday night services at 7:30 p.m. draw strong attendance and numerous visitors, reflecting a vibrant community eager to grow in faith.

Active Evangelism

Throughout June, the family diligently evangelized, visiting homes, discipling new believers, distributing gospel leaflets, and inviting locals to services. Their efforts reached many, sharing the message of salvation across Mairana. Additionally, they continue supporting the Ríos de Agua Viva church in Puerto Limón with Sunday morning services.

Vision for the Future

The family is planning a significant evangelistic campaign for September, aiming to touch more lives with the gospel. They also seek a plot of land for a permanent church building and reliable transportation to enhance their outreach, trusting God to provide these resources.

Prayer Requests

Glenn and Celma request prayers for the spiritual growth of their congregation, the salvation of new souls, and wisdom to lead effectively. They express deep gratitude for the prayers and financial support from their brothers and sisters in Christ, which sustain their mission.



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Dear Friends, Prayer-Warriors., and Supporters of BEME-LA,

Since our last newsletter, summer has not slowed down a bit! We have had wonderful church meetings in WV, MN, a major Baptist Conference in WI, presenting BEME-LA, helped our local church with a week-long Vacation Bible School, as well as accompanied our church's teens to a week of camp at the Wilds in NC. Now, throw in a college graduation, and preparation for upcoming travels to Alaska and IL, and you now know why we ask for prayer.

In the midst of all this travel and presentation, we paused for a day of celebration of our nation's Independence. This is not unique to the United States, but is seen in countries around the globe as they mark a time of freedom and liberation from national tyranny. As I pondered our nation's liberation, my mind was brought back to an even greater time of liberation in my life . . . the time that I accepted Christ as my Savior and became liberated from the penalty and enslavement of sin. Hopefully, those of you that are reading this have such a day of independence in your own life.

With this independence and freedom comes biblical responsibility. I am reminded of Galatians 5:13-14.

“For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.”

It's easy to get swept away in one's new found freedom and focus solely on yourself and the blessings of this new salvation. But this verse sobers us to the reality that our salvation is not just for us and our personal goodness, but is to affect the way we treat and respond to others. This includes freely sharing the gospel so others can experience liberation from sin and its ugly tentacles.

The freedom we have received should push us into a Christ-like servitude for others. There is no better way to show this service, than to share Christ with those around us and with the world.

It is with this in mind that we once again close our thoughts with . . .

“Join the journey . . . not just where we've been, but where we're going.”

OH! And before I forget, you've been waiting for the **BIG announcement**. BEME-LA will be moving its home office to the suburbs of Minneapolis, MN by the first of August. Please note our new address and pray as BEME puts its office back together and staff becomes acquainted with this new location.

Andy and Jo Counterman, BEME-LA

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AUGUST 2025 Prayer Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Pray for Pastor Gustavo in his mission to spread the Gospel in Artigas.	2 Pray for Sicuani Baptist Church's outreach, children's choir, and youth ministry.
3 Pray for Bethel Baptist Church's new believers being discipled for baptism in.	4 Pray for "Disciple Makers" conference.	5 Pray for Pastor Eliab's wife Violeta's recovery, and their precious newborn Eliezer Judá.	6 Pray for the Merino family's wisdom as they formalize their church in Moche, Peru.	7 Pray for the 4 men chosen to assist in leadership at Moche Baptist Church.	8 Pray for Garcias in Uruguay, for salvation of those evangelized, including Valentino.	9 Pray for Youth Conference "Running for the Medal," and Pastor David González.
10 Pray for Pastor Edwin's ministry, for the congregation's spiritual growth.	11 Pray for Cusco's children's club on Saturdays.	12 Pray for De Santis family, discipling new believers and preparing them for baptism.	13 Pray for families reached through Mother's and Father's Day events.	14 Pray for Glenn Ramirez family, for evangelistic campaign in September.	15 Pray for provision of land and transportation for the church in Mairana.	16 Pray for salvation of new visitors Lucas, Martina, and Aaron.
17 Pray for Pastor Lukas and Julieta, balancing a newborn and ministry in Argentina.	18 Pray for BEME-LA's office relocation to Minneapolis, MN, and for continued outreach.	19 Pray for Muñoz family, ministering to school children and evangelizing despite challenges.	20 Pray for "Reflecting Jesus" youth camp (July 15-18, 2025) in Monclova.	21 Pray for new believers in Huachipa, finishing discipleship and preparing for baptism this year.	22 Pray for Sicuani Baptist Church's radio ministry, that it reaches many listeners.	23 Pray for Adolfo's spiritual growth and desire to join Bethel Baptist Church in Monclova as a member.
24 Pray for Unquillo church's repairs, improvements, and effective social media outreach.	25 Pray for Moche's Father's Day evangelistic program, that it reaches fathers with the Gospel.	26 Pray for Moche's women's and youth ministries, that they grow and effectively teach the Word of God.	27 Pray for Bible distribution by Garcia family in Uruguay, that recipients encounter Christ's love.	28 Pray for San Jerónimo church's efforts to grow in fellowship through shared activities and sports.	29 Pray for San Jerónimo's Sunday school, for a teacher to divide classes by age, and children's growth.	30 Pray for the Ramirez family's support of Rios de Agua Viva church in Puerto Limón community.
31 Pray for global missionaries and supporters, for expansion of God's work in ministries.						