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THE LOEWEN'S NEWSLETTER # 2

Thank you for your prayers for our family and ministry here in Paraguay.

This month marks 1 1/2 years since we moved! 🇵🇷 ✈️

God is moving here in Paraguay and we're thrilled to be apart of it! We have been blessed and humbled to not only feel Gods deep, relentless, leave-the-99 kind of love for us, but also see him show it through us.

Here are the top 3 things we want to share with you...

#1. Hope at ACA

We both have been fully investing in the school (Asunción Christian Academy) and staying true to the word God gave Sam: protector of children.

This has meant:

- Acknowledging the shortcomings of the school for the sake of the children.
- Many of us teachers have adopted 'Firm and Gentle' as our motto when dealing with our students
- Implementing sex education that provides God's perspective on sexuality.
- Addressing and supporting the parents and students from pornography/sexual addictions for all grades (talking prevention in 3rd grade and younger)

- Creating and implementing a discipleship type program rather than Bible memorization (wait, it's not that easy? 😊) We want to reach the students ❤️ hearts ❤️ and then walk in biblical truths📖.
- Spiritually supporting all teachers and students. Meeting one on one.
- Addressing bullying, mostly through sports 🏀 🏈

#2. "Strongholds That Have Never Been Broken"

We recently had a conversation with another family that had a similar clear calling to move to Paraguay from another country. They also have a large family and uprooted and came with no plan, other than a strong sense that God was calling them. They told us of a word they received from a man right before they left:

"Paraguay is a country with strongholds that have never been broken."

What are they? No one quite fully knows. What we do know is Paraguay is the only country we know of in South America where there has never - in its 212 year history - had a revival of believers.

What is God planning to do here? We don't know, and don't need to, but are willing to be apart of whatever it is.

"I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also. They will listen to my voice, and there will be one flock with one shepherd."

- John 10:16 -

#3. Refuel

Kimberly and I oversee and participate at Refuel which is an outreach/youth group for students and friends from other schools. We meet every other Friday at ACA. Our heart is to disciple the student leaders and walk alongside them in this ministry.

This is the most exciting part of what we do, because in the midst of so much deadness and despair at ACA, this is a group of students who want to be there and have a heart to grow spiritually. They want to be discipled and be apart of the healing God is bringing to ACA. 🔥

Where God guides... He provides!

Our budget from the school to run Refuel is \$80... for the entire year. We had ideas and dreams on how we wanted to invest in the student leaders but we didn't have the resources. But then we found out we were chosen as one of the recipients for an annual 5k fundraiser for [Global Horizons](#) (our fiscal sponsor).

We will use the proceeds to mentor and disciple the students by:

- Taking them on a leadership retreat 🥾
- Buy them a My Utmost For His Highest devotion
- Take them out individually monthly for coffee ☕
- Go through a identity workshop led by [Jamie Winship](#)

We will also use the funds for fun activities and food for the students that attend Refuel.



If you would like to participate in the run/walk, or know someone that would, here are the details:

<https://globalhz.org/jamrun/>

100% of the funds raised by the JAM Run 2023 will go to support four GHI projects, focusing on mentoring youth and families.

The selected projects are operating in countries with high rates of poverty. The funds raised will reach many lives, who would not otherwise have access to these services.

Partner With Us

If you would like to join our team, there are a few ways to do so.

Commit to Pray

- Let us know if you would like to commit to praying for one of our children (Eli, Isaiah, Amelia) for the month.
- Join our WhatsApp prayer thread for real time requests and how God is answering. [Join here](#)
- We plan to have a zoom meeting prayer time in December - we will send an email invite closer to that time.

Financially

We are currently 75% funded! We are looking for 5 individuals who can give \$100 a month, and 10 individuals who can give \$50 a month.

You can also give a one time gift.

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