

“파라과이여, 다시 태어나라”(Paraguay must be born again)(요3:7)

Esperanza del Paraguay(“파라과이의 희망”)

파라과이 선교 계획 표어

“한 알의 밀이 땅에 떨어져 죽지 아니하면 한 알 그대로 있거니와 죽으면 많은 열매를 맺느니라”(요12:24)

3차 5개년 계획의 7대 목표: 제사장, 예배자, 제자, 증보자, 봉사자, 전도자, 행동하는 사람

2025 년 표어: 천국을 바라보자(Hacia al Cielo)

Dear Officers and Supporters of JSBMF

Hallelujah

Greetings to the JSBMF members family in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ in the new year of 2025.

In the new year, we promise to love the Lord more, be more devoted, and fulfill the ministry that refreshes the Lord’s heart.

Although the ministry of soul salvation is not easy, we believe that we can accomplish it with the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

It is very cold in the United States, but Paraguay is in the middle of a hot summer vacation period. We are busy as summer vacation began. It is a work to make the children listen to the Word a little more and have them spend more time in the Word. As soon as the vacation began, we took the children who had worked hard in school to the swimming pool and played all day. And as we began summer school, we met every day to read and memorize the Bible, and have Korean language class.



신나는 수영장에서



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★ Christmas Special Worship



성탄절에 감사예배를 드림과 동시에 2024년 한 해를 정리하는 시간을 가졌습니다. 한 해동안 예배와 모임에 한번도 빠지지 않고 열심히 출석했던 아이들에게는 **출석상**을, 주일학교에서 아이들을 맡아 수고한 선생님들에는 수고의 보답으로 **교사상**을, 일 년동안 열심히 공부해서 모두 만점(5 점)을 받은 아이들과 2 과목 4 점 그리고 모두 5 점을 받은 학생들에게 **성적상**을 나누며 격려했습니다. 주일학교 아이들에게도 성탄절 선물을 나누었고, 교우들에게는 성탄절 선물로 뽑기를 해서 각자 꾸민 선물을 가져갈 수 있도록 했습니다.

We had a Christmas thanksgiving service and a time to reflect back on 2024. Attendance awards were given to children who attended worship services and meetings diligently without missing a single one throughout the year. We gave teacher awards to the teachers who took care of the children in Sunday school as a reward for their hard work, and academic awards were also given to children who studied hard throughout the year and received full marks (5 points) for all subjects, 4 points in 2 subjects, and 5 points overall. Christmas gifts were also given to the Sunday school children, and church members were also given a chance to draw Christmas gifts so that each person could take home a generous gift.



★ Youth retreat



We held a youth retreat under the hot sun without air conditioning. We hope that the youth students will know Jesus more and devote themselves to Him. They are children from slums who hate studying and have difficulty concentrating, but we hope that they will meet Jesus Christ personally through the power of the Holy Spirit and devote their lives as **<Christ's warriors>** instead of living a mundane life.



★ Please pray for us



The youth children started graduating from high school last year. The first one, <Milagros Alfonso>, who has been with me for a long time, has become an adult. It is certainly a joyous and happy thing for children to grow up and become adults. However, what is worrisome is that as the children grow up, they will be tempted to become more focused and obsessed with money. This summer vacation, there have been several student who could not come to summer school because they had to earn money. We can't even say anything to them as we watch their parents force them to do so and their children themselves seeing the reality of needing money. As I start to see the reality of children following money rather than faith, I feel strongly that we need to make our younger students into "Christ's warriors" who are loyal to Jesus with all their hearts before they get older.

It is work of building a <**DORMITORY FOR STUDENT**> where we live with children.

We understand that running a dormitory for students is easy. However, no matter how many children there are, we think this is the only way to help them make progress in life and faith. The calling that God gave me was orphan ministry. We came to Paraguay to do that orphan ministry, but Paraguayan orphanage laws changed so that it was impossible without a huge amount of money. The Holy Spirit, knowing that we could not handle it, changed the direction to a slum 11 years ago and led me to do ministry there until now. Now, although it is not orphan ministry, we think it's a similar type of ministry in having a dormitory for students, so we are planning to build it. We want to share hope with children in these slums by running a <**vocational training center**> and a <**Daycare Center**> along with the Dormitory for students. Construction will begin in June. Please pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

With Moses' heart, we want to provide a shelter of hope for children in the slums and plant dreams for the future.

"24 By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, 25 choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin, 26 considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking forward to the reward" (Hebrews 11:24-26)

Even if we have difficulty and hardship, if the children can become greater workers for Christ, the difficulties of the present will not be comparable to the reward they will receive from God in the future. We sincerely thank the members of the JSBMF who have worked with us on the path we are running with a small hope.

We pray that you stay healthy in the cold winter and that the glory of the Lord fills the JSBMF family members. Shalom.

Your Missionaries in Paraguay

Ok Jin & David Nam

**★ Prayer Topics for the 3rd 5-Year Plan for the Paraguay Mission
(September 2023 - August 2028)**

1. So that missionaries who will work together can come to Paraguay.
2. For the construction of the Academic Building.
3. For the evangelization of the entire village of <Bañado Sur>, the slum where the church is located
4. The 350 <Warriors of Christ> goal
5. For the history of soul salvation to be enriched through the <Church of Hope>
6. For the continued fullness of the Holy Spirit

“Paraguay, be born again!” My Lord, my God. Accept us and guide us! Amen.

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