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# the Arce Family

## NEWSLETTER

3rd Generation Missionaries to Venezuela



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### We Have a Dream

2016 was a tangible example of God's provision for our church. He provided specific things that, at this particular time and under this extreme economy, are an extraordinary proof of God's love and mercy for us.

New land: This property is far beyond what we have always wished to have for the church. The land has been planted, and we are soon to harvest corn, green beans, black beans, and some herbs. In God's time and according to His provision, we will begin building up the fence wall around the property and the multipurpose auditorium for the church. In the small house that is already on this property, we have a church family who is living there, taking care of the land.



A bus: For a church with a congregation as humble as our people, having a bus not only provides an ideal resource of transportation for every Sunday, but it also gives us an opportunity to plan and execute evangelism outreach activities in distant locations as well as taking our people to camps and bible conferences.



Medicine and personal hygiene items: For the first time we were able to coordinate a box delivered by mail that a partner church put together to bless our congregation. The box happened to arrive right before Christmas. It was a joy to divide these goodies among the church's families and give them these small presents that meant so much for them! Diapers, shampoo, and soap sound like very insignificant things, but believe us when we say they were received with tears of joy and gratitude by so many of them.

We have a dream, and we realize that this is a God-given dream. Our desire is to reach 100 children from our community who will come to the church 2 to 3 times a week and receive a warm dinner. This meal will be provided and prepared with the help of our congregation and from whatever we can harvest from our new land. It sounds crazy to have this type of ministry in a moment when food is scarce; but the truth is, this is a dream that can become a reality with a lot of prayers, service, and with the understanding that God will multiply and provide what we need one day at a time.

Please be in prayer for us, that the Lord would maintain our good health as well as our desire to be instruments in God's hands and obedient children of the Almighty, Who has told us to treat others in the same way that we want to be treated.

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