



## Update from the Barkley's (January 2017)

Dear Phil,

Greetings from beautiful (and HOT) Santiago. We hope everyone is well.

As many of you know, we were able to go to the United States for Christmas again this year. It was wonderful to spend time with family and friends. Thank you to everyone who made our stay so enjoyable. Our son, Brandon and his wife, April, opened they home to us and gave us an opportunity to spoil our grandchildren. (I have to say, THAT was really fun!)

While we were there, I had some medial tests done. Dr. Lever, my cardiologist, wanted me to wear a 30-day Cardiac Event Monitor to look at my heart rhythms. This monitor doesn't function outside the United States, so I had to request a 30-day Medical Leave. The results of the monitor showed that a pacemaker was not called for in my case. I still have the fatigue, skipped beats, shortness of breath and everything that goes with Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM). However, he did release me to come back to Chile. We arrived here on February 16th.

During the last month or so, Chile was ravaged by huge forest fires. In all, over one million acres were destroyed by these fires. Fortunately, none of our churches were damaged, even though at least one of them was in the middle of one of the worse affected areas. One family did lose everything they had. We will be trying to see what we can do to help them with this loss.

A couple weeks ago we dedicated a new church in Las Torres (in Santiago). They have already managed to buy a building and remodel it, making a beautiful place of worship. In the last month or two, we have also opened a new church in Rancagua, a city just south of Santiago. God is moving and we are so very thankful to see and be a part of what He is doing.

Recently, we were able to visit our church in Punta Arenas. This port city is located in the very



southern-most part of South America and is known as, "The End of the Earth." Thanks be to God, we have a thriving church there.

It's good to be back and we are looking forward to visiting churches and teaching in the Bible School. It is a wonderful privilege to live and work in this beautiful country. Please continue to pray for us, that we will be everything that God wants

us to be and we will accomplish HIS will for Chile. It is an awesome responsibility and we need the help of God to do it.

Thank you again for your continued support. God bless you richly.

Dan and Debbie Barkley  
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*Part of Punta Arenas is pictured in the background. Further out, you can see the Strait of Magellan and to the left and much further out is the famous "Tierra del Fuego."*



*Torres del Paine and glaciers in southern Chile. This truly is a country of diverse geography. Here we have glaciers and in the north we have huge desert.*



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