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# Focal Points



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## Global Glimpses



**CHILE:** Our National Conference is always a great time of fellowship, worship and preaching for our Chilean brethren. This year was no exception. Even though the meeting was held several hours south of Santiago, there was a record number in attendance. Over 900 made their way from all over from as far away as Arica in the north and Punta Arenas in the south to add their voices in worship and praise to the King. The anointed preaching and worship again blessed everyone and the Spirit of God moved in each service.—**Dan and Debby Barkley**

**PARAGUAY:** June 7-9 we held our National Youth Conference. We had the privilege of **Brother Poitras** and **Brother Crossley** as our speakers for the conference (as they were here for the Next Steps program). There was a great spirit of unity. About 500 gathered for the last two services. Eight received the Holy Ghost and three were baptized in Jesus' name! We also had the dedication of New Heights School and privilege of having **Brother Tim Scott** and family present, as well as Brother and Sister Crossley. A special monument was made by our aimer **Jeremy Durand** in honor of Brother and Sister Fred Scott. The

mayor of the city of Lambare was also in attendance. It was a special moment. The church was filled with the students and their families and there was a special touch of God in the program and ceremony.—**Joey and Cristina Bir**

**HAITI:** The Mary L. Sawyer Memorial Church is our newest church plant. Canaan is a new community formed after the earthquake by survivors. It began as just a 'tent city' but has become a thriving community. We



appreciate everyone involved in this newest church family. We went from the ground breaking (pictured) to the first service in less than a month.—**Ron and Terry Brian**

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### NEXT STEPS 2013 PARAGUAY

In June, seven young ladies from different places in the United States visited us on the Next Steps program for two months. During that time, this group visited thirteen of our churches, conducted five evangelism efforts, ministered with skits, songs, and puppets to around 450 children in various childrens' ministries. They traveled over 1,700 kilometers and saw thirty filled with the Holy Ghost as well as ten baptisms in Jesus' name.

They also participated in our 2013 youth conference and various activities at New Heights Christian School.

At our church in Encarnacion, two first time visitors from a Baptist youth group received the Holy Ghost and one of the girls was miraculously healed of epilepsy, from an injury on her head. During prayer, she felt a huge burning in her head and she was screaming, but God was healing her. She went to the doctor later and the lesion was gone.



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**PAPUA NEW GUINEA:** We are so pleased to announce that we have officially graduated twenty students from Truth and Life Bible College of Papua New Guinea! This is the first class to graduate in many years. We had a fantastic Graduation Party (pictured), and the students cried as they came to the end of their time in Bible school. Many of the students have gone to resume pastoral duties, and five have become home missionaries working in far-off corners of PNG. Three have stayed behind and been inducted as teachers.—**Richard and Andrea Carver**



**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:** We were excited to host a 2013 AYC group of fifty-five young people pictured below! They participated in evangelization and humanitarian work and also attended youth camp where group leaders **Greg and Lynette Wilhelm and Justin and Kimberly Reinking** blessed us with their dynamic teaching and preaching!—**Steve and Kari Shirley**



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**MASTHEAD PHOTO:** A partial view of the missionary family present at the Global Missions 2013 General Conference service. The January 2014 issue of the Focal Points will feature a report from the 2013 General Conference.

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## Project of the Month Guatemala Orphanage Well

Great progress has been made on the H.O.M.E. International Guatemalan Orphanage campus. Since we purchased the property in April 2012, we've remodeled the existing building, built a wall around the entire property, built an administrative building with a roof and ceiling, and are working on four houses. The progress has been absolutely amazing and all because of the kindness of others. This has been accomplished without acquiring any debt!

While we are certainly getting closer to being able to house children, there are still a few major things missing. One of those things is access to running water. The property we purchased has an existing well and pump house. However, after many years of no use, the well is in disrepair. Wells are found over and over throughout the Bible. A well is a source of water. Water is the source of life and H.O.M.E. needs a working well.

A well is very important in our ability to be a safe haven for orphans and we need \$2,500 to complete the well. Would you make a donation to the H.O.M.E. International Guatemalan Orphanage to provide clean water to the hurting children of Guatemala?

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