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Discovering creative ways to share the hope of Jesus with people unconnected to church

Dear friends,

Greetings from the UK, where we are currently at the tail end of our home leave.

As we travelled the country visiting family, friends and link churches during the hottest and driest UK summer in recorded history, looking out to the dried and yellow fields, I pondered how life on the mission field is often a journey through very defined seasons. Just as UK farmers navigate unpredictable seasons of extreme heat and drought, we're reminded of the stark highs and lows we often face in ministry. Just as a farmer watches the weather with a mix of trepidation and hope, we often find ourselves holding the challenges and joys of mission in Bolivia in the very same breath, clinging to hope in the hard seasons and celebrating the joys as they come!

In mission, we sow the seeds, but we must trust the Lord with the harvest, knowing that it is he who gives the increase. Just before we left Bolivia for home leave, we experienced some lovely fruit from his harvest – life-giving milestone moments that reminded us of this.

At the end of May, our LOGOS English community wrapped up its eight-month learning season with shared testimonies, awards, fun, games and delicious food brought by the students and team. One student shared that this was much more than just an English class – it was a safe, hospitable space where friendships were made, making learning a shared journey. We are thankful for the wonderful LOGOS team and students and look forward to the next LOGOS course with excitement.

Anayah's high school graduation was a joyous occasion, marking a beautiful end to an era and an exciting start of another. While farewells were hard, as she will deeply miss her teachers, graduating class and friendships made, she is looking forward to the future with great anticipation. We'd love prayers for Anayah as she steps into this new season – a gap year before university – trusting God to guide every step of her journey ahead.

Through our microfinance and economic empowerment ministry we were able to help another family start up a small business. One of our prayers when starting this ministry was that those *receiving* the hope of Jesus would in turn *give* the hope of Jesus to others. Vero, a single mother and grandmother, faithfully attends and often leads the weekly Bible study hosted by our microfinance partners Jenny and Richard in their public



LOGOS students proudly showing their end-of-year certificates

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toilet business. Once a month she also volunteers her time to head up the team who cook for the community lunch that takes place in the same space as the Bible study, feeding 100 vulnerable people living in extremely challenging circumstances. The financial investment Vero received provides a sustainable income for her family – she was able to buy tables, chairs and cooking equipment for her lunch restaurant, which opened at the end of April. The spiritual investment she receives provides her the space and heart for loving her neighbours. I selfishly add that I'm super excited to return to Bolivia for Vero's delicious, famous peanut soup – my favourite traditional Bolivian dish! We give thanks for Vero and her heart to share the hope of Jesus with others in her context.

At the end of April we had the pleasure of welcoming visitors from the UK. Andrew Johnson from our Latin America team came for a pastoral visit, which was beautifully timed alongside a visit from a CMS team who came to film the Lord's work right here in Santa Cruz. It was a wonderful opportunity to share the inspiring stories of the beautiful people we partner with daily, deepen our relationships and experience a great sense of mutual support. Soon, we'll be able to share stories prepared by the team who came to film here.

A highlight of our time with Andrew J was visiting and finalising the venue decision for our upcoming CMS Latin America regional conference, due to take place in our city of Santa Cruz in January 2027. Andrew and I are absolutely thrilled to serve as part of the planning team – a little nod to our past work in the hotel industry. Stay tuned for more updates as we prepare to welcome our Latin America mission partners and CMS colleagues to our city!

Now, as we head towards the end of our home leave, we look upon this as a time of seasonal refreshment.

Our visits with family and link churches have been incredibly encouraging; we're so thankful for the deepening of our connections through the years with shared meals, great conversations around the table and along the footpaths. By sharing both our raw challenges and our greatest joys, we are building lifelong friendships and reinforcing that vital link between local and global mission as partners in the gospel. To everyone who hosted us, cooked for us, prayed with us and listened to our hearts: thank you. Your hospitality is fuel for the journey ahead.

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. Philippians 1:5

Thank you for walking through every season with us – through the droughts, the planting and the joyful harvest. As we prepare for our return to Bolivia, a new season awaits; one without school runs, after-school meetings, sports or activities. Pray especially for Liliana as she continues studying mechanical engineering at Southampton University, for resilience and enjoyment; for Anayah as she navigates a gap year and university applications for studying equine-assisted therapy; and for us as we love and support our girls and their hopes and dreams, while sharing the mercy and transforming love of Jesus in Santa Cruz.

Bendiciones,

Andrew, Lisa, Liliana and Anayah x



Photos from top to bottom: LOGOS end of year fun and games; Lisa (centre) and friends eating Vero's delicious peanut soup in her restaurant; Andrew and Lisa on a link church visit; Peart family break in Devon for Lisa's 60th!



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We love to hear from other CMS partners sharing the hope of Jesus with people not yet connected to church. Read Andy Roberts's reflection on his time with the charity ReVive in Brazil and hear his thoughts on how mission needs to keep creatively changing. And be challenged by a thought-provoking piece on the role of migration in mission. Read and learn more about creative mission at churchmissionsociety.org/bringhope

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