

Dear friends

Your prayers have been answered magnificently. On the right are two girls who work in the Anglican school. They act as couriers for the mobile library.

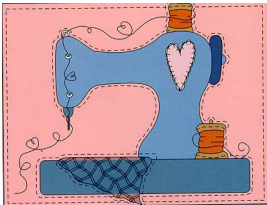
Their smart bags were designed to keep books safe on their long bus journeys and held together in sometimes precarious home situations by my lovely prayer letter sender, Jude. She was our star pattern cutter for the Mission Paraguay sewing workshops in July.

We've got some really dynamic Christian books. So far, 25 people have joined the library, 7 of them in one church swapping books as they see someone else with a title they like. I hoped for exactly this to happen to help new readers overcome the Paraguayans' general lack of the reading habit.



I'm just about able to keep up with the enthusiasm. Twice on one day I've bought a book in the morning, covered and labelled it in the afternoon and lent it in the evening.

Sewing news



A great solution has been found to the problem of solving how to re-launch sewing workshops where there are as yet no recognised leaders. I've been introduced to a government department which has excellent social projects. Besides sewing, they offer training in:

- Household planning - how to make make-shift kitchens and open fires safe
- Sanitation - using latrines and dealing with rubbish
- Market gardening: how to cook with the harvest and store seed
- Nutrition - how to use local produce (alternatives to bought bread and meat); how to make jams to make use of excess fruit and vegetables
- Production of cleaning materials: mixing ingredients, costing and marketing of detergents
- Handicrafts - how to make and market them

On **Monday, 5th October** I'll meet the two project trainers, Rosa and Laura, to plan the training days. We will meet in one church and invite people from four communities nearby. The workshops offer a great leap forward for participants. This is a really God-given opportunity and I'm looking forward to learning all I can from the very experienced project people. Please would you pray that we plan rightly and people would be keen to attend. Thank you for your partnership – none of this would happen without you!

With love and God bless, Caroline