

## Prayer update: Chris and Alison Hawksbee in Paraguay

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Hi, 25 June 2019

I attach 3 photos. Two of the replacement vehicle I now have. It is a Nissan Navarra, year 2013, 4x4. I took it on a trip to the Chaco last week to get used to it. The photo with the road in front is the entrance to Maktlawaiya. (Ask John Prosser about it.)

It took quite a while to find a vehicle that had its' paper work in order. I was getting quite frustrated over this issue. I missed several good vehicles for this reason. This one cost 14,760 US\$. I had a budget of 16,762. Add the cost of transferring to Churches' name, plus insurance for a year and road tax, I was left with around 300 Pounds to sort out other details. I have actually invested some of our own money into it. Anyway, I am now mobile again.

The roads in the Chaco are just getting to being transitable. The flood waters have receded and the road works department are getting around to fixing them. We went into Makthlawaiya and La Patria, not to El estribo, due to road conditions.

Next week we are going to have our long overdue pastoral retreat in Rio Verde. The participants are looking forward to this event. We are due to collect them from their communities on Monday. Start the event on Tuesday through to Friday. The Bishop should be joining us on Friday Afternoon.

The confirmations in La Patria are due for Sunday 7th. Please pray that the road conditions will be good, as, we have rain forecasted for parts of this week. Instead of doing the confirmation in July and August, the Bishop wants to do them all on the 7th. There is an accumulation of candidates, around 600 now. This is because the Bishop hasn't done any in several years. We have had many new baptism

these last two years. Around 200 mainly adults, and just recently many infants.

We have new dates for the ordinations in El Estribo: 27th July, when there are two deacons to be presbitered ( Remigio Fretes and Carlos Carillo) and one new deacon( Ruben Severo). On the 28th, there will be an ordination (Romualdo Rojas) in Maktlawaiya, and around 30 people to be confirmed. This will basically be the Bishops' last visit to the Chaco before he retires in October.

Please continue to pray for a new Bishop for the Diocese of Paraguay.

Also, pray for the work in the English speaking chapel, as, we are losing some members who have helped on the preaching rota. They are people working on diplomatic missions and have completed their placements. Both Alison and I continue on the rota for leading and preaching.

One great piece of news we received on Sunday last was, that Donald Brooks, who was our pastor last year received a kidney transplant in Cordoba, Argentina. He moved back to Argentina in order to have a better chance of getting a kidney. It matched. He is in observations for a few days.

I hope this gives you some topics to pray for.

Greetings,  
Chris

