

**Prayer and praise points from Daniel & Ellelein Kirk and family in Chile –  
March 08**

Dear Friends,

***Praise:***

1. A wonderful holiday in the lakes in the south of Chile. Some friends lent us their house just above the lake with stupendous views and we went swimming every day (David can swim now albeit with armbands), played lots, read lots and did a fair bit of the HTB marriage course together which was a huge blessing.
2. For David reaching three years of age. He had two parties (he wanted to invite so many friends) and then suggested afterwards that as he was celebrating his third birthday he should have three parties! Joshua is now six months old and is a healthy, bouncy baby who adores his older brother - we'll see how long that lasts for!
3. That God has been working in our life in many different ways, as individuals and as a couple. I used to tell folk who went on short term mission trips with Latin Link that they would be far more blessed than a blessing and I think that that has been true for us here as well.

***Prayer:***

1. Today in the youth group I'm speaking on 'Vision' and trying to get the youngsters to buy into the vision God has for mankind and for us as a small group of leaders. Last Saturday we had a retreat for the youth group leaders and pastor at a monastery where we sought God for a vision for our youth group. This has been the culmination of lots of thought and prayer and we have come up with something that we hope will inspire and challenge the group.
2. Last Saturday evening we had a great evening with the boys in the youth group and their fathers: watching 'Touching the void', the boys making pizzas and planning for a weekend away at the end of the month. This is the first time that we will be doing this and we want it to be a fun, challenging and motivating weekend for them all. Please pray for the event - see ppt attached for the rough outline - Friday 28 to Sunday 30.
3. Our church in Gómez Carreño is currently going through a rough time with stresses within the leadership, especially the PCC. Please pray for reconciliation and a workshop that we've asked a missionary friend to come to give in April on *Dealing with conflict biblically*. Planned previously and very challenging and practical. We trust that the work that God is doing in the lives of many would continue to bear fruit.
4. Tomorrow Saturday the 15th sees the second yearly workshop for all the tutors of our theological courses in the region, which our church is hosting. The event last year went well - please pray for the speakers, the tutors and all the last minute organisation- there's lots of it still left! Please pray that all the tutors and leaders of the Anglican churches in the fifth region of Chile would be marked by a passionate, dynamic walk with God. For those who want to practise their Spanish I attach the programme.

God Bless

Daniel