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Dear Friends of FEISA.

I'm writing to bring you up to date with some recent developments and news related to FEISA.

My name is Pat Chapman and I have agreed to take over from Eileen in dealing with the translation of FEISA Prayer Letters and news. Many of you will know that Eileen was unexpectedly diagnosed with gastric cancer in December. She had a very successful operation to remove a tumour but is still recovering her energy and strength.

I agreed to take on the FEISA English correspondence as I have been involved in praying for the institution since before its inauguration. I worked in St. Andrew's College in Asunción for 13 years and I have visited FEISA on a number of occasions.

In Paraguay, of course, they are just coming to the end of their long summer break and during that time, as you will know, FEISA has been involved in a complete move of the library, the IT lab and all the offices. It is a massive but very exciting job, as they will have more space and better facilities.

Summer is also the time for seeking new students for the 1^{st} Year Diploma Course and the 4^{th} Year Degree course. One new course FEISA is offering for Degree students, is a one-year course to qualify to teach pupils up to 3^{rd} Grade. This will allow a more creative and imaginative transition from child-centred pre-school to more formal education and is something completely new for Paraguay. Please pray for the right number of students for all these courses.

Lourdes is also working on a graduate course in Inclusive Education, to be presented to the educational authorities. She'd value prayer for this to be authorised too. As you can see, FEISA is widening the scope of their course provision and seeking to make a valuable contribution towards Paraguayan education.

Lourdes has been in contact over the holiday period and has asked for prayer for the events leading up to the start of the new academic year. On Wednesday February 28th, the first staff meeting was held, to share fellowship and to plan for 2018. On March 4th, was the wedding of Silvia Maidana (IT and Publicity). Silvia, herself will no doubt be keeping you up to date with the latest FEISA developments in due course.

Please continue to pray for the staff and students at FEISA. I would also appreciate your prayers that I can make a good job of the translation work and effectively keep you all up to date. Thank you for all your support.

May God bless you,

Patricia (Pat) Chapman