



Agrimissions---- Sowing Seeds for Christ!

First the bread – Then the Bread of Life!

Special Edition on Paraguay



Doug Neel and I journeyed to Paraguay to work on what has been a long dream for Agrimissions, our supporters, missionaries in Paraguay and the Guarani of Yrybucua. This work has been such a team event that it would be impossible to mention everyone involved. Teams from multiple churches have worked on the center, donated money, individuals have participated, Pastor Pablo & Claudette, Ed & Linda Baker & Christian Dickson have all poured their heart into this project/ministry. And then there are those of you who have faithfully lifted this center to the Lord for His guidance & provision.

Beginning with the purchase of 10 hectares (22 acres) of land and plans drawn by Ed Baker we set off with faith that it would happen. So what has happened?

- Construction of the multipurpose facility is 90% complete with funds in hand to finish.
- A church in South Carolina donated money to build a residence on the property. It is about 70% complete.
- Plants have been planted on the property to add food products.
- We have established a collaborative agreement with the Paraguay Agriculture Research Center in Chore, Paraguay.

- A church in Florida donated money to purchase books to teach gardening to the Susannah Wesley School 4th, 5th & 6th grades.
- A church in Florida donated money to purchase T-Shirts with a logo that is to be developed by the children of the school. This will also have a club name. Agrimissions is sponsoring the contest to develop this.
- We sent a native Paraguayan to Community Development School at SIFAT in Lineville, AL last fall. He will assume the position of director in December.
- Doug spent the month of August (will be there when you receive this. He will train our new director and begin a collaborative agreement with SIM Paraguay.
- Both of us will be working with our new director, laying out the plots to be planted, finalizing the school gardening program and even planting some things.

So what are the next phases?

- Establish a plan to make the center self sufficient.
- Complete a formal collaboration agreement with the Paraguay Agriculture Research Center in Chore.
- Train & equip our new director for ministry.
- Complete all training and teaching plots.
- Build a small greenhouse to provide cheap or free plants for the community.
- Purchase a tractor for plowing community sites.
- Purchase a tiller for the center.
- Develop a marketing plan and study the feasibility of a community wide cooperative.

How can you help?

- We will continue to need finance for the above items. If you desire to finance any particular item on the list below see the remittance information at bottom of page.
- Specialist to come alongside us in planning for a self sustainable center.
- Prayer partners.
- Agricultural economist/marketing specialist to help us develop plans for the community.
- Short-term teams to complete construction of center (odd jobs), residence and a greenhouse.

- Specialists in nutrition, food preservation, agricultural mechanics. Cooperative formation, small animal husbandry, agroforestry, discipleship, and other agriculture areas to travel to PY and teach short-term classes of about 2 weeks or less in length. Spanish speakers would be great.

What are the specific itemized needs?

- ✓ Tiller
- ✓ Tractor
- ✓ Small gardening tools
- ✓ Greenhouse and equipment
- ✓ Truck for the center to market items.
- ✓ Transformer to handle the power of the center.
- ✓ Specialized books on agriculture & nutrition in Spanish.

