

Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation
day after day.
Declare his glory
among the nations,
his marvelous deeds
among all people.

- Psalm 96:2-3

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We each stared at the vinyl wood floor in front of us. Across the suitcases and amidst the noise of the big city outside, we quietly sat processing what just happened. We had just moved a world away. Now, safely back in our apartment in Montevideo after having just brought in all of our things, a note of finality set in. Everything that we had planned for, prepared for and been trained and equipped for, has finally come!

It's been a crazy first week in Montevideo. On the 21st of August, we reunited with our many friends from Uruguay and hit the ground running. From unpacking, to buying furniture, to planning and attending events, to coaching this year's STINT team, we feel like almost a month has gone by. But as we look back at the last year, we can't help but think of all of you. We're in Uruguay serving the Lord because of your partnership through prayer and financial support. Thank you.



Our family sending us off with all our luggage

Well, we're in Uruguay! Now what?

To begin, we came with a team of seven recent college graduates who decided to spend the next year serving Christ in Montevideo. It's called a STINT (Short Term INTERNATIONAL) and we will be facilitating their year of ministry. One week before we left, we attended a briefing conference in Chicago where Steve Douglass, the international president

of Cru, commissioned the hundreds of STINTers going around the world. We can't wait to see how God uses these seven to change lives here in Montevideo.

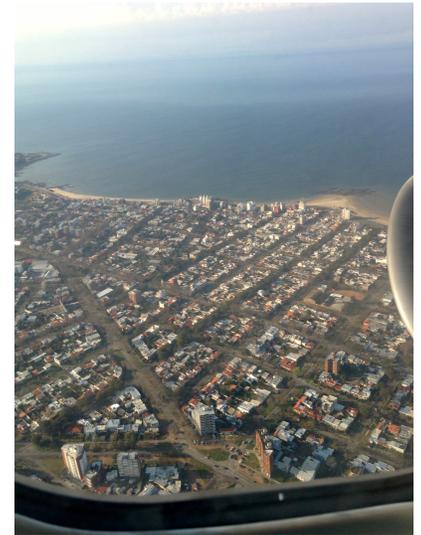
Beyond helping the STINTers settle in and get started on their ministry, there are a lot of events coming up to prepare for. At the end of October, Josh McDowell, a renowned evangelist and Christian apologist, will be coming to Montevideo! We're helping to plan and promote for the many evangelistic events that he will have in the city.

Finally, we've also been getting started again on our own language and cultural learning. In trusting the Lord to reach college students for Christ by providing a spiritual resource on every college campus in Uruguay, we know a big step is learning the language and culture.

We're so excited to be back in Uruguay, but at the same time, sad to have left so many friends and family in the United States. We appreciate you all so much, and look forward to what God has planned for Uruguay.

In Christ,

Caleb + Laura



Our first glimpses of Montevideo as we flew in.

Prayer Requests

Please pray that the upcoming Josh McDowell outreach leads to many opportunities to share Christ and answer people's questions about Jesus and Christianity

Please pray for the STINT team as they settle in and transition to a new culture, language, lifestyle and ministry.

Please pray for us. We're still settling into our new home, learning our way around the city, and finding new friends.



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