

THE AGUILAR FAMILY

Reaching the Hispanic population of South Carolina

Spring 2024

Dear Friends,

We were privileged to host our second Hispanic Ladies' Conference April 12-13. Over 70 women attended from several different churches and states. It was a special joy for Rebecca to cohost the conference with pastors' wives Roxana Keiser and Norma Torres both of whom were our students when we taught at Ebenezer Bible Institute and Seminary in



Mexico years ago. Another pastor's wife, Jacinto's niece Xochil Ramirez, led the singing. What a joy to serve together in ministry! Lord willing, we are going to make the ladies' conference an annual event.

On April 28th we celebrated Dia del Niño (Children's Day) with around 135 in attendance. Many children and parents heard our son Joey preach a clear gospel message. Some of Rebecca's Spanish students helped with our face painting, food and inflatables in the gym.

Rebecca had the joy of leading Caita to Christ on church visitation one Saturday. Please pray that Caita would grow in the Lord and attend church faithfully. Laura testified with joy that she was able to lead one of her friends to Christ.

Last week Oscar and Christian graduated from the Pan America Bible Institute three-year video program we offer at our church. Now Jacinto has begun teaching a Bible Institute class on Methods of Bible Study on Thursday nights. Around 16 of our members are taking this class and are very interested in improving their Bible study and teaching skills. It is a joy to teach people with such a heartfelt desire to serve the Lord!



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On June 9th we celebrated the second anniversary of our church being independent. Bro. Jose Luis Torres (a Jacinto's friend pastoring a church in NC) preached for us. Then we enjoyed a fabulous time of fellowship, delicious food and games in the gym. We thank God for what He has done at Iglesia Bautista de la Gracia through the years.

Family News:



After several scares of premature labor, Santiago Jose Aguilar finally made his appearance on April 8 weighing six pounds and three ounces. Jacinto had the joy of dedicating his first grandson during a recent service.

In May Johnny graduated with a master's degree in business administration from Duke University. He and Hephzi currently live in Seattle where Johnny works for Amazon.

Julie is currently in Cuba for three weeks serving with a mission team from Bob Jones University. This is Julie's third trip to

Cuba but the first time she will be speaking to women's groups. Please pray for her safety and for God to use her leading the BJU students and serving in ministry there.

Judy is expecting our fourth grandchild on July 2nd. Please pray for a safe delivery for Emalyn Rose Ramirez.

Jason and Jimmy work here in the Columbia area. Joshua continues to love living in Hawaii and serving at the River of Life Mission. Presently he is serving in Maui coordinating groups who come to build small homes for those who lost theirs during the terrible fire and connecting churches to ministry opportunities with the homeless.



Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and support.

Happy in the service of the King,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacinto Aguilar". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jacinto Aguilar