



James Update

Strengthening the Church in Latin America

July 2017

ESI Chile Facilitator Training:

Last week we met with 23 pastors and church leaders in Temuco, Chile training them to start new ESI (Equipping Servants pastoral training) groups. Pray for these new Facilitators as they invite people to begin ESI the first week of August. They expect 205 new participants.



The training team: Russ and Heidi Smith, who are SAMS missionaries in Temuco, Juan Cardenas from Bolivia, Edwin Callejas from Peru, Kep and Debbie



Our Purpose ...

to honor Christ strengthening the church in Latin America to be true to the Bible, discipling believers in Christ & taking the gospel where it is least known.

Please Pray:

- **Equipping Servants (ESI) pastoral training:** pray for 10 new groups starting in Santa Cruz in July with 150 participants. Pray for new groups starting in Temuco, Chile in August. Pray for the 10 new groups starting in Bogota with 150 new participants.
- **14 Pastoral-Assistant Volunteers:** intensive 2 year training for pastors in Bolivia.
- **Family:** Pray for Andrew & Angie in Uruguay as they learn a new culture and build relationship to plant churches in this very spiritually challenging region. Katie is seeing gospel impact in relationships in Cleveland. Sami is looking for a job as a chef, & Heather serves in the ILC church in La Paz in a ministry Biblical Counseling.

Thankful for your partnership in the gospel,

Kep and Debbie