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## Davis Family



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## Nationals Reaching Nationals

I truly believe our ministry is one of the best-kept secrets around. I say that because we are not as well-known as many other mission boards. One reason is our relatively small size. Another is our balanced approach to cross-cultural and indigenous missions. If you have examined our website then you know that we are currently serving in ten different countries. We also minister in the 10-40 Window through modular training of indigenous pastors. You will also see on the website that we have 37 US missionaries, 59 national missionaries, and one great commission.

For over 40 years, our ministry was officially known as **Evangelical Mission to Uruguay** because we were exclusively focused on that country. In 1987, we expanded our ministry into Chile. The acronym EMU, officially was changed to **Evangelical Mission to the Unreached**. I would encourage you to read the short description of our history on our website: [emuinternational.org/emu-history/](http://emuinternational.org/emu-history/).

You will notice that our founder's ministry in Uruguay was focused on the training of nationals to reach their own people. To this

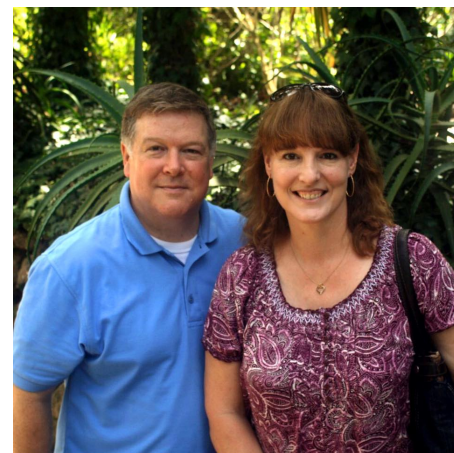
day, EMU continues to support nationals and their churches in Uruguay. Currently, there are 24 national units supported in Uruguay. We also have 6 national units supported in Mexico.

Also, it is interesting when you look at the list of EMU's missionaries, you will learn that we have several that are from the countries where they are currently serving. The **Crnkoviæ**s are from Croatia and are serving in that country. The **Judsons** are from India and are serving there. **Marco Nuñez** is from Mexico and is serving in his home country. **Matías Espinel** is from Uruguay and has returned for the purpose of training nationals. **Deborah Steel** is one who grew up as a missionary kid in Uruguay and is now serving with her husband **John Mark**, where their main focus is training nationals.

Last year, **Tim Chapman**, our missionary in Peru, handed off the leadership of his church to a national pastor. His father, **Tom Chapman**, who serves in Chile, has also recently done the same. Both of them have redirected their efforts to establishing new churches in different areas of the cities

where they minister. The goal for all of our missionaries who serve as pastors is to build indigenous churches. The ultimate goal of any church is not only to be indigenous, but self-supporting, so we strive to see this in all of our ministries.

I believe one thing that attracted me to EMU, was the balanced approach between cross-cultural and indigenous missions.



## INVITATION TO PARTNER

Please pray about joining our Support Team



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# 2017

## Graduation

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**Bethany** graduated from Bob Jones University with a B.S. Degree in Journalism and Mass Communications.



Introducing the newest addition to the Davis family. This is **Ollie**, our goldendoodle. I love dogs, but for our entire 27 years of marriage, I have refused to own one. Well, I finally broke down. With all of the change facing our family she has been a wonderful encouragement. She is a playful puppy that is only 3 months old. She will grow to be about 50 pounds.



Please pray for our girls this summer. **Bethany** and **Abby** will be working at the Wilds Christian Camp. **Hannah** will be attending the C.I.T. Program.

For more wedding information visit <http://pastorjeffdavis.com/wedding>



God is continuing to bless our family. In February, I was privileged to have Joanna and Hannah join me on my trip to Uruguay. This was a first for both of them, to travel on an international mission trip. It was a great opportunity to see how God has blessed EMU's ministry in Uruguay over the past seventy years. I was privileged to preach twelve times at the workers' conference and also five times at family camp. I also spoke several times at a couple of churches. We were able to participate in evangelistic efforts in the hospitals and at a local market. Joanna and Hannah enjoyed working at the camp. It is exciting to be a part of a ministry that focuses on nationals training nationals to reach their own people.

Shortly after returning to the States, we traveled to Indiana to share the ministry of EMU with several pastors and churches.

God has also allowed me to share our ministry with several churches in the greater Greenville area. I also have had the privilege of preaching at missions conferences. In the days ahead we also have several meetings scheduled. We are praying for churches to join our support team.

After nine months for our house being on the market, in God's perfect timing we finally sold. We have moved all of our stuff into storage and are now living with my mom. On June 16, we close on our new house in Greer. This is going to be a big project also. The house has a full basement that we are going to finish so that my mom can come live with us. If there are any handymen out there that would like to help, we would greatly appreciate it. If you are interested in seeing pictures of our new house, you can Google our address below. Several realty websites have photos.



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