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“MISTER, ARE YOU GOD?”

Thanks again for your partnership in supporting EMU International and our missionaries. We are especially grateful for your prayers and your regular financial gifts make it possible for us to do what we do.

I'm reminded of a familiar story. In the aftermath of World War II, Europe lay in ruins, its people grappling with the immense task of rebuilding their shattered lives. One of the saddest sights was the many orphaned children left starving on the war-torn streets.

Early one crisp morning, while navigating the war-torn streets, an American soldier noticed a scene that tugged at his heartstrings. There, standing alone by a bakery window, was a frail six or seven-year-old orphan boy, his eyes wide with longing as he gazed at the freshly baked pastries inside. The soldier pulled his Jeep over, got out, and walked quietly to where the little fellow was standing with his nose pressed against the steamy window. The soldier's heart went out to the child, so he asked, "Son, would you like some of those?" Startled, the little boy peered up at the tall American and cried, "Oh, yes, Sir, I would!" Quietly the soldier stepped inside, bought a sack full of pastries, and exited into the London fog. Turning to the child he smiled, held out the bag, and said simply, "Here you are." As he turned to walk away, he felt a tug on his coat. He stopped and smiled back at the boy

only to hear him quietly ask, "Mister, are you God?" Obviously, the soldier was not God, but through his selfless gift, he was mirroring one of God's chief characteristics. You see, you and I are most like God when we are giving. *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*
John 3:16.

We are never more like God than when we are giving.

It is summer in the southern hemisphere. As you read this letter, the summer camps are in full swing at Campamento Emanuel in Uruguay. Founded in 1975, Campamento Emanuel has been serving local churches with programs for children, adolescents, youth, and families, for fifty years. Each meal begins by quoting *1 Corinthians 10:31*. "*Si pues coméis, ó bebéis, ó hacéis otra cosa, haced lo todo á gloria de Dios.*" *1 Corintios 10:31*. If your Spanish is not that good, let me help you out, "*Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.*" That should be the goal of every Christian, every church, and every mission. The ultimate goal is not to just do good things for others. The goal isn't just to start churches and Bible schools. It isn't even to share our faith. The ultimate goal is to glorify God.

For seventeen days in late February and early March, I have the privilege of making my tenth trip to Uruguay, where I will witness first-hand, missionaries and families in Uruguay who have made it their life's purpose to glorify God.

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It is a privilege to have Dr. Bill Hill join me for this trip. He has been to Uruguay many times, but we have never been together. Bill has served in local church ministry since 1974. Since 2005, he has served as the executive director for Equipping Nationals Worldwide.



On **Friday, February 21**, we will board an afternoon flight from Asheville, NC, which will take us through Charlotte, then Miami, and land the next morning in Montevideo, Uruguay. We are looking forward to staying at the camp located in Guazuvirá, about an hour east of Montevideo.

We will both speak at the **Workers' Retreat, on February 25-28**. The theme for our sessions is entitled, **"Let Us Encourage You."** We desire to come alongside these precious ministry servants, not as experts, but as friends who understand some of the challenges faced in ministry. One of the main focuses of my time at the Workers' Retreat will be to interview our different missionaries. It is always a joy to learn about the ups and downs of their ministries and for a brief time share in their lives. I will also spend time with the Junta, our leadership team in Uruguay. On the weekends we will be speaking in area churches. We will begin **Family Camp on Monday, March 3**. Bill will speak twice on Monday, and then travel back to the USA. I have the privilege of preaching the remaining eight sessions. I have chosen the theme, **"Your Missionary Family."** My return flight is scheduled for Monday, March 10. I will then hit the ground running with a busy schedule which will have me in Michigan, Maryland, Vermont, and Illinois, over the next five weeks leading up to Easter. Please pray for us as we make final plans for this trip.

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Attention Pastors



I am currently planning my calendar for 2025. In addition to traveling and visiting the EMU International missionaries on their various fields of service, I have had the privilege of preaching in Christian School chapels, Pastors' Fellowships, at Christian Camps, Missions Conferences, Revival Meetings, and Family Conferences. I am also available for single meetings to promote the work of EMU International. Contact me if you are interested in me visiting your church.



February

- 21 Flight to Uruguay
- 22 Bus to Rivera, Uruguay
- 23 Calvary Temple, Rivera Uruguay
- 24 Bus to Campamento Emanuel, Uruguay
- 25 - 28 Workers' Conference

March

- 1 Calvary Temple, Durazo, Uruguay
- 2 - 8 Family Camp
- 9 Emanuel, San Fernando
- Emanuel, Cerro
- 10 Return Flight
- 16-19 Calvary Baptist, Midland, MI
- 23 Childs Bible, Onondaga, MI
- 29-31 Peoples Baptist, Frederick, MI

April

- 5-8 Trinity Baptist, Williston, VT
- 12-14 Faith Baptist, Danville, IL
- 20 _____ Easter (Open)
- 27 _____ (Open)

May

- 4 _____ (Open)
- 11 _____ Mothers Day (Open)
- 18-21 Calvary Bible, Berkley Springs, WV
- 25 _____ (Open) Wisconsin / Minnesota
- 29-31 Fellowship Baptist, WI - Family Camp

June

- 1 Fellowship Baptist, WI
- 8 _____ (Open) Greenville Area
- 15 _____ (Open) Greenville Area
- 22 _____ (Open) Greenville Area
- 29 Victory Baptist, Port Charlotte, FL

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