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News

Mission trip:

We inform you that for the first quarter of 2019 we foresee a missionary trip to South America, still to be specified.

There are two projects that we are evaluating:



- Field work in the rural region of Arica, on the border between Chile and Peru.

- Immersion and formation in a Christian program for young people who fight against drug addiction, in the Uruguayan region of Canelones.

As soon as we have confirmed the destination, we will inform you about dates and scheduled activities.

Advent and Christmas:

We take this opportunity to congratulate you on Christmas and wish you many blessings for the new year that will begin.

Advent and Christmas are not only a time of commemoration of the One who came among us but also a faithful and active waiting of Him who is to return. Let us live without taking for granted that this coming will not be early.

We hope that by 2019, you will continue to accompany and support us in this ministry of service and mission that defines the CEC-Masvidal.

'El Cenacle':

Many people already have in their hands the Christian devotional in Catalan, ready to start the year with a beautiful biblical reflection every day.

Now you can also buy 'El Cenacle' in the following Barcelona bookshops:

- Editorial Claret (Roger de Llúria, 5)
- Llibreria Abba (Girona, 7)

Social dining room 'Terribas-Roura':

Activities continue in the social dining room and food bank that the CEC-Masvidal promoted in the city of Bata (GE). The local church has also incorporated the management of used clothing. We encourage you to continue praying for this evangelical social work.



GOD ALSO BURIED HIS SON IN THE MISSIONARY FIELD.

I found a reminder of what it would cost to serve the Lord when I visited the missionary graves in Nigeria.

Small graves

Most of the graves in this cemetery are small. Mounds of one or two meters predominate instead of the standard of three meters. About forty graves contain the bodies of small children. The missionary fathers brought them to a hostile environment where illness and difficulties came at a tremendous cost.

As a visitor to the cemetery, I only speculated on the causes of their deaths. Many died for the infamous African fevers.

The pain of the parents

What happened to the parents who left so much of themselves in the cemetery? Ian and June Hay entered that cemetery in 1952 to bury their young son.

They stopped in that same place three years later to bury the other of the twins. A third child died after leukemia.

Ian, eventually, became the international director of SIM [*International Missionary Society*]. Today the Hay testify of the fidelity of God in the midst of the greatest pain of life: "God is still calling some parents to make a final sacrifice."

Trying to understand

The cemetery in Miango teaches us about God and about His grace. It testifies that God is not a loving grandfather who satisfies all our desires.

And it shows us that the grace of God, although it is free, is certainly not cheap.

The only way to understand the reason for the tombs in Miango is to remember that God also buried His Son in the mission field.



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