

The Kallestads

So Jesus said to them again,
“Peace be with you;
As the Father has sent Me,
I also send you.”

John 20:21



September 2017

Dear Family and Friends,

The last several months have been full of movement in ministry! Here are some of the things that have been going on...

In **Lautaro**, Chile the church is growing! A team from Yuma, AZ came in June to continue working with us on the School Project.

In 2000, First Christian Church in Yuma joined with us to start the church in Lautaro. We are so thankful for your faithful partnership!

Pray that God would use the church and school to draw many to Him! In August, Doug taught an Institute class in Lautaro, Theology of Ministry.



A team from Eastside, CA came to **Santiago** at the end of June. This team helped out the schools and the La Farfana church with construction and evangelism.

Tono and Janet have now made the transition from living in Ralco to living in **Los Angeles**, Chile to launch the church there. We were invited in September to teach on marriage and join the church in a day of fellowship and celebration. It was awesome!

Doug traveled to **Cusco, Peru** in September to help the team there with some transition of responsibilities. The goal is to launch a new work this year!

The property for the church in **Melipeuco**, Chile has been purchased! A team from the Grove, CA came to help in August with the construction of a house for Luis and Andrea, our church planters. The construction of the church will begin by the end of the year.

We are so excited about the ministry potential this location has given us!



Celebrating Chile's Independence Day
at the Oriente Church...

A day filled with traditional dances,
games and lots of food!



*"If we love one another,
God abides in us,
And His love is perfected in us."
1 John 4:12*

*We want to thank you for praying
for our family during these
months of change....*



Shelly spent May- July in the States helping our two youngest daughters, Lori and Niki, as the girls graduated, moved and we planned Lori's wedding.

What follows is from her heart to all the moms reading this...

This is from my journal in May,

"I regret that my time with my kids is almost gone. It is slipping sadly, sweetly away... I'm thankful that for now we still have moments yet to share.

It's Mother's Day. I didn't feel like a very good mom last night... no soothing words of wisdom, no way to soften the sadness and bring back her smile...

I'm thankful for the adventures that lie ahead, yet I find myself once again wishing to somehow slow the pass of time.

I realize now it is not slowing time, it is living it more fully and richly.



"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear... We love, because He first loved us."

1 John 4:18-19

*Lord it's Mother's Day. Help me be a better mom.
Help me worry less and laugh more.*

Give me moments to hug the kids and hold them just a little bit longer. Help me linger in the here and now savoring each moment, filling my heart with memories to treasure.

Give me soothing words of wisdom and encouragement.

Help us to enjoy who we are now, so far from perfect, yet perfectly and deeply loved...

Help us linger in the moment before our moment's together slip into memory. Life becomes a new adventure as the paths we once walked together become paths that cross briefly, randomly in the distance.

Thanks, Lord, for the journey with all its twists and turns, its unexpected challenges and joys.

Thanks for life, love and family."

Moms... enjoy the journey!





Niki's toast to the Bride and Groom...

Years ago I was privileged to overhear a very serious conversation. One in which my sister wisely called dibs on the "blue-eyed" boy.

I found out later, Daniel had done a very similar thing, returning home from a mission trip to Chile to announce to his parents that he'd met the girl he was going to marry. And here we are, fifteen years later...

Lori and Daniel's faithfulness to each other and to God's calling on their lives has been tested through time and distance, as well as cross-cultural differences.

Lori and Daniel, may you continue to grow in your love and faithfulness to Christ and to each other and may your marriage always reflect the loving faithfulness you have shown to one another over these fifteen years.

To the girl who called dibs on the
blue-eyed boy,
And to the boy who knew he would
someday marry her.
Salud!



Daniel graduated with his Masters of Science in Leadership from Grand Canyon University in AZ. Lori graduated with her Maters in Marriage and Family Therapy from Whitworth University in WA. Lori and Daniel are now living in Arizona. Daniel and Lori were eleven when they first met!

Niki graduated from Whitworth with her BA in Political Science and Cross-Cultural Studies with a minor in English. Niki is now working on her Masters Degree at the University of WA in the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies. Both of us, Doug and Shelly, graduated with our BAs from the Jackson School!

It was an unexpected and tremendous blessing for our entire family to be at the wedding!!!

Thank you

Then He (Jesus) said to His disciples,

“The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”

Matthew 9:37-38

Please Pray with Us...

We are excited to have Pastor Gene Appel and Pastor Greg Curtis from Eastside Christian Church in CA return to follow up on the Leadership Conference held last year in Olmue, Chile. Once again we will have pastors, key leaders and missionaries from Ecuador, Peru, Santiago and southern Chile in attendance!

Pray that God would give us the wisdom to apply what we learn in the churches that together we may bless the nations!

The Conference will be held October 10th -13th in Maipu, Chile.

Through contacts made by the Institute, Doug was invited to preach at a Missions Conference in Santiago this Friday and Saturday, October 6th and 7th.

There will be 150 missionary candidates in attendance.

Carlos, Jamie's husband, was also invited to do a workshop. *Please keep them in your prayers asking that God will lift up more workers for His harvest!*

Thank you for your prayers, your generous giving and your faithfulness. Thank you for sharing “La Bendita Locura”, the blessed craziness of our life in Christ!!!

All our love, Doug and Shelly



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