

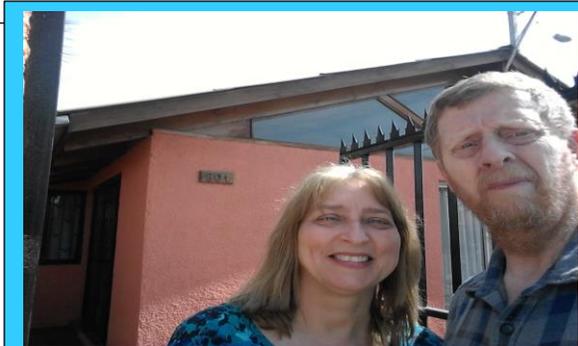
# Under the Southern Cross

## By Still Waters...

October 2017

As we shared in our last letter, God has led us beside the “still waters” of **Coquimbo**, a beautiful coastal city of 200,000+ people in Chile’s Norte Chico (“Little North”), The name Coquimbo means “*place of tranquil waters.*” On September 5<sup>th</sup> we moved into our newly rented home at **Los Copihues 801**. It is bright orange with a Chilean palm tree in front—you can’t miss it! (Remember that “*copihues*” are the national flower of Chile, a mountain vine with bell-shaped flowers in red, pink, or white. Ironically, there aren’t any on our street! 😊) We are now officially Coquimbanos!

Our new ministry will be assisting a local Bible Center church, San Juan, to plant a daughter work in **Punta Mira** (“*Look Point*”), one of many growing subdivisions in Coquimbo. Approximately 50-60 people meet here in a tiny rented house, including a core group from the mother church and many new believers—all needing Bible teaching, discipleship, and counseling. May the Lord grant us a fruitful sojourn by the Pacific shores of Coquimbo.



### Comings and Goings

- After spending the month of August packing up the 20 years of our lives in Santiago, we returned the end of September... and celebrated our 38<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by finishing the details on the house in Villa Santa Elena.
- The first week in October we visited fellow missionaries in Chivilcoy, Argentina, while Curtis attended the annual “Pastoral Advance” conference.
- Curtis traveled the next week to Temuco to help with mission financial books.
- Finally we are settled in Coquimbo for a while...I think!

### For Prayer:

- This past week Curtis began teaching a variation of his Bible institute course on Leadership to a combined group from the San Juan and Punta Mira churches. Slated to last several months.
- Another group will prepare for baptism with Curtis through November.
- Diane has the opportunity to speak twice at the ministry women’s annual retreat (Nov. 14-16) on the theme, “Teachers of Good Things.”
- Christina is challenged in her Biblical counseling program at Bob Jones University and needs prayer for her studies.



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