

Under the Southern Cross

December 2014



Changes, Changes...Everything Changes...

- That's a Chilean folk song rather than a Christmas carol, but it's certainly been our theme throughout this season. In November we hosted a work team from Canada that spruced up our mission office in Santiago before moving on to a cabin project in Licán Ray (thank you guys!). Then on Dec. 9 Curtis signed for a property exchange which gives

- The end of September we made a little getaway [trip to the Chiloé Islands](#), our first place of service in Chile, to celebrate our 35th wedding anniversary. It's been 11 years since we last visited there together—and wow, the changes! Traffic jams in Castro! The ultra-modern mall is a bit of an eyesore on the landscape, but a number of the typical stilt houses have been converted into boutique hotels, and the waitresses now own the rustic restaurant that used to be our favorite (they remembered us ☺!)

GMSA/Chile a new headquarters (two houses) just a couple blocks from our home in Villa Santa Elena. These weeks around Christmas and New Year's have been busy for us with a major office/guesthouse move. May the Lord greatly use the [new place](#) at Mauricio Rugendas 1901, Villa Santa Elena, pictured above. Ω



Our village of Dalcahue is twice the size it used to be and now displays tsunami evacuation signs along all the waterfront streets. We were happy to run into former Sunday school students (now married with kids of their own) and also catch up on all the news (most of it good!) during the Sunday morning service and a wonderful lunch with Chilean missionaries, **Paula & Rafael Arroyo**. Ω

Other Special Changes

Recently:

- Our **Monteverde** intern **Luis Cordero** finally graduated from Bible institute on December 6 and will be taking on a more official role as pastor of the church.
- We were pleased to join the **Antofagasta** work for the October 19 inauguration of their enlarged, renovated ministry space.
- Curtis taught and baptized three men from the **Santa Elena** Bible church on December 28.

We'll be using our own street address for mail from now on. Please note this change of address:

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Praying for Changes:

- ...within our Santiago Bible institute this upcoming year. Diane praises the Lord for better health and hopes to prepare for next year's ladies' class over these summer months.

- Which urgent projects to tackle next? Pray for direction.

- It looks like Christina will finally get to Germany in February...?