

Prayer topics from Lynn and Charles Barr Johnston

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Thank you again very much for praying for many in the Juarez zone and in Salta. Please continue to pray for **Mechy**, daughter of Sunday school teacher **Carmen** who is daughter of **Vicar Tuqui**. Mechy had a tumour in the brain and has had 5 operations in Buenos Aires, but she still can't talk though Elena says she does look better. **Elena**, Mechy's aunt and also the Deaconess leading the congregation in Chiriguanos, is in Buenos Aires helping Carmen look after her daughter. Elena's daughter **Natalia** and **Ignacia** are leading services in Chiriguanos. Please pray for them and for **Vicar Narciso** from Juarez who goes there to preach the Bible and lead the Holy Communion Service. The **Sunday school in Yema** is also greatly affected because their leader Carmen is in Buenos Aires. So please pray for the children in that Sunday school, and for **Saturnino** leading the young people's meeting.

Please also pray for **Vicar Juan** from Juarez in his trips each Saturday to **Quemado**, which is beyond Yema from Juarez. Juan takes with him **Sylvio**, a leading believer from Juarez, and his eldest son **Cristian**. Some times Saturnino also goes with them. Juan has also taken Deacon Rene to Quemado to visit with him and his team.

Rene and especially his wife **Elsa** were badly hit when ex-Vicar Mario publicly accused Rene of being unfaithful to Elsa. After this happened, when Elsa was visiting her son **Juan** in the university of Tucuman, Rene continued to go to church and even preached again when Mario asked him to. But when Elsa came back from Tucuman and from visiting her married daughter in Buenos Aires, Elsa did not want to go back to church again and Rene felt he could not go without his wife, or every one would believe the slander. They continued to read the Bible and pray at home. Then Juan returned from university, and he then did not go to church services, even though he was a member of the congregation in Tucuman. I spoke to Rene and Elsa several times on the mobile phone to encourage them to return to their spiritual home, and Rene always said they would soon go back, but they did not manage it, I think because the whole family were not agreed to do so. But we praise and thank the Lord that they are now all going back, and when Rene is in Juarez, Juan takes him with his team of visitors to Quemado. Please pray for them all. Rene works for the petroleum company which extracts petrol oil from an isolated place called Palmar. Previously he worked in their base in Juarez. Now he works 2 weeks in Palmar and then 2 weeks in Juarez. Please pray for him. You will remember that he is not the only minister in Juarez who was slandered in this area. In one way or another they all were. Please pray that all old wounds may be healed.

Please also pray for the group who meets in our house in **Salta** to study the Bible. Pray especially for **Sergio**, the estate agent who brought us to this flat and for his wife **Bety**, who have both just started coming to these meetings. Pray that the Lord will enable them to understand and believe His Gospel. Bety is an architect. She sometimes finds it difficult to get to meetings as she has work both in Jujuy and in Salta.