



To our dear and beloved brothers and sisters in OSA in the UK,

It is with great joy that I am writing to you from Quyquyhó, greeting you with the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ. We want to thank you for your constant and faithful support which has enabled us to continually grow in our work with the children.

The “Comedor” continues to function and this year we have been able to meet all the children’s educational needs, not just with books and stationery but also with private tutors for Maths and Spanish. Samantha (Parsons) has been very good at supporting the younger children in reading and Spanish.

Our vegetable garden continues to produce all the greens we need and the irrigation system the volunteers put in place in August has been very useful this year as the summer heat is particularly intense. We are once again growing many crops such as beans, corn, peanuts, water melons and honeydew melons which are due to be harvested this December.

We want to thank you for your faithful and persistent prayers which have been answered in the following ways:

- 1. The legal situation with Children’s Home (The Recalde’s Home) has been finally resolved by the High Court in Paraguay and they have ruled that they cannot be removed from the house. The title deeds for the house remain with the previous owner (We pray that they will be returned in due course) but he can no longer evict the children from their home. They are secure.*
- 2. The government, through the Ministry of Childhood and Adolescence, is working with us to make sure that the Home and Comedor both have all necessary legal documents in order so we can have full government recognition and approval.*
- 3. This support is also practical and we have been chosen to form part of a pilot programme to improve all Children’s homes in Paraguay. They have a national budget to be spent on food, clothing, medicines and some for repairs. This is extremely beneficial to us as we need to mend all 3 bathrooms in the Home and put more lighting outside. The money they are spending is exactly what is needed to cover these costs. On the land where we have the Comedor (OSA Property), we are going to use the money to put proper fencing round the perimeter, with concrete posts, which will keep the neighbour’s chickens from eating our crops! We are also going to improve the kitchen by putting in*

an extractor fan, and put more fans in the dining area all to cope with the intense heat of summer (40+°C!)

We thank God for blessing us so much with all of this, which was completely unexpected, and thank you for always helping and supporting us.

The children are all doing exams at the moment and they are all advancing in their studies. When they have finished their exams we want to take them for a week's camping holiday as we have a big vehicle to transport them and some very good tents, thanks to you all. God has been good to us.

On Saturday 7th of November we are going to have a whole day with the Voluntary Fire Brigade from Asuncion and we have invited all the children from the schools in and around the village to participate. It is going to be a special day as it is the first time that an event of this type has taken place in Quayquyho. We estimate some 300 children will attend and we are providing lunch for them all as well. It is thanks to Lolí (who used to help us in the Home), who has just become a member of the Voluntary Fire Service, that we have been able to benefit from this unique visit.

Little Andrea turned 1 on the 29th of September and we celebrated her birthday with all the children from the Comedor. Around 150 children came and we had a wonderful time sharing games, hot dogs, juice and a huge cake that fed everyone! It was a memorable occasion.

We also thank God for Samantha who is helping us a lot with the children. She is very special and dedicates much of her time to us.



Sam with Andrea

We know that only God can repay you for all your efforts and hard work to support our vision and that our God is a God who rewards those who serve Him. As His Word says:

"...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40

We hope to see some of you next year. We always pray for you all and though we are far in distance, in spirit and in love we are united.

Blessings and huge hugs from us all

Oswaldo and María Luisa Recalde

Oswaldo is the Director of Operation South America in Paraguay



The management committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our readers for your support and to wish you a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. None of us could have anticipated the response and growth which has occurred since the charity was established in October 2007. We feel both grateful and blessed. It is a privilege to contribute to the lives of a group of children, however small and remote from the UK. We can't change the world but, with your help, we can make a difference to them. Please continue to support us in whatever way you can.

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