

## Global Ministry Highlight

Eric & Danica Abisor—Cordoba, Argentina  
Reaching & Teaching International Ministries  
December 8, 2024

### Spring Life & Ministry Happenings

We are back into the swing of things here in Argentina since coming back from our Stateside Assignment in the US at the beginning of August. We were grateful to come back to our home, life, and ministry here. There is much work to do with the vision of training and teaching leaders here in Argentina!

It's spring, almost summer here, and besides adjusting back, life has been very full of teaching, preaching, and counseling ministry for Eric. But in summary, since August, he has traveled, spoken, and participated in multiple conferences in Argentina, Chile, and the US. He preached in multiple churches and contributed to several theological and missions podcasts. He also assists as a Spanish supervisor for ACBC (Association of Certified Biblical Counselors). He is looking forward to a break for summer here in January and February where he can keep advancing on his biblical counseling dissertation, though he has been able to make some progress this spring (here).

All the while, he serves as an elder at our church and works hard at his job of being a husband and father to our boys. Danica is homeschooling and discipling as well as counseling ladies from church. The boys are growing like crazy, and we have had several birthdays lately. They are doing baseball, home-school group, working out at the gym, church, guitar, Spanish lessons, youth group and more! So it's a lot to keep up with and a lot of blessings!

We are looking forward to the holidays here with friends and our church family. The end of the year also means finishing the school year here. It will start again in the fall (March). We are looking forward to the summer break, which will give us a different pace and a chance to rest, work on special projects, and plan for life and ministry in 2025.

And as we near the end of 2024, we want to make sure that you know that we are so thankful for you. Thank you for your prayers, support, and love this past year. We are so grateful to the Lord for our support system from around the world! We thank the Lord for you like Paul did in Philippians 1:3-4: *"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."*

We are looking forward to what God has for us in 2025. In the next few weeks, we will be sending out an End of Year message about plans and needs for the coming year. Please keep your eye out for that!

Thankful,  
Eric and Danica Abisor  
*Josiah, Jackson, Isaac, Benjamin & Logan*



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## Weekly Prayer Guide



December 8, 2024

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## — Prayer Requests and Updates —

**Kristi Ammon:** On Dec 10th, I have a CT scan of my lung and see my lung surgeon to see if I am clear or if my cancer has returned. It has been 9 months since my last scan. Thank you for your prayers.

**Craig Hampton:** Pray for Craig, the security team, and the Samaritan's Purse staff in Kiev, Ukraine. The area they are serving has been targeted in a series of aerial attacks. Pray for safety and wisdom as Craig oversees security.

**Linda Barron's daughter Sarah:** Please pray for Sarah as she makes career and life decisions that God will fill her with peace and wisdom.

**Jackie Maker:** Please keep Jackie and her family in prayer as they grieve the loss of her cousin's granddaughter, Amelia. Pray also for Amelia's mom and brother who are recovering from injuries suffered in the car accident.

### Nels Pitotti:

- Praise God for the leadership of Pastor Kurt and our Elders. Clearly they are on track with the good news of Jesus.
- Please pray for our elected rulers, that they would fully accept the wisdom of Jesus.
- Please pray that we would be good examples of Godly leaders for our children and grandchildren.
- Please pray for the leadership, organization and enrollment of the upcoming Perspectives classes.
- Please pray for all of us to take the responsibility and an active role in the healing of our nation.

**Kent & Lynn Hochberger:** Pray for the family as they support Kent's father who is declining in health and nearing the end of his life. He knows the Lord and longs to be in his eternal home with Jesus. Pray for peace for all who love him.

### Prayer Gatherings:

- Pre-Worship Gathering Prayer Group - 9:45 AM
- After Worship Gathering Prayer Group - 12:00 PM
- Thursday Morning Men's Prayer Group - 6:00 AM
- Thursday Morning Women's Prayer Group - 11:00 AM

♥ **There is room on the prayer list for your requests.** Please use a prayer card from the pew, scan the QR code below, call, or email the church (208) 664-4883 or (office@cdabible.org). Office hours Monday-Thursday from 8 AM to 3 PM.

**Scan the codes below to share a prayer request or reserve the prayer room.**



Share Prayer Request



Reserve Prayer Room

## — Events, Ministries and Opportunities —

**Dear CDA Bible Church Family:** Sara and I wanted to offer a big THANK YOU to everyone for your kind words and generous support this past Sunday. We were totally surprised by Pastor Nat's announcement about our 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary at CBC. We read the cards, letters, and notes and were greatly encouraged by what you shared. May we be as gracious to you as you were with us! Once again, thank you for your thoughtfulness. It means a lot to us. —**Pastor Kurt**



**Discipleship Groups:** Adults! Growing an intimate love for and trusting obedience to Jesus is one of our key values; we call this discipleship. If you desire to belong to a D-Group, sign up in the lobby or email (zach@cdabible.org).

**Gals' Craft Day:** Ladies are invited on Saturday, December 14 at 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM for crafting. Bring whatever you are working on and spend time together in the Gathering Room. Early birds are welcome to come at 8:30 for coffee fellowship before craft time.

**Rebuilding Foundations:** CBC has a support group for separated and divorced women and offers an opportunity to gather and work towards rebuilding solid foundations. Meets every 1st & 3rd Saturday 9:30-11:30 AM in the Prayer Room.

**Needs Giving:** One Sunday each month is designated for special needs giving. Offerings for this purpose are used for benevolence requests from within our congregation as well as from the community and through CBC-supported redemptive compassion local ministry, Love in the Name of Christ (Love INC). If the Spirit leads you to give to the needs fund, please write "NEEDS" on a white offering envelope and place your gift in one of the offering boxes located in the back of the Worship Center. Thank you!

**Women's Coffee Fellowship:** These gatherings are held on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. This is a casual time of fellowship/conversation that takes place in the lower lobby from 8:30-10:00 AM. Bring your own coffee, tea, hot chocolate, or H2O.

### Mark Your Calendar

- Dec. 14: Women's Coffee Fellowship (8:30 AM) Lobby
- Dec. 14: Gals' Craft Day (10:00 AM-3PM) GR
- Dec. 14: Parents' Night Out (5:30-8:00 PM) CBC
- Dec. 15: Mercy Tree Drop-off at Nursery Counter
- Dec. 15: Women of Valor Luncheon (12:00 PM) GR
- Dec. 22: Children's Christmas Musical (10:30 AM) WC
- Dec. 22: Deliver Angel Tree Gifts (Call office to sign-up)
- Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Service (5:00 PM) WC

Coming soon from Children's Ministry...



Saturday, December 14th from 5:30–8pm

Parents—this is your night! We're watching the kiddos so you can go out together! Please sign up at the nursery counter. This event is open to all Cd'A Bible Church regular attenders.



Parents—we're rehearsing with your kids each Sunday for this event — **Sunday, December 22nd**, during our regular Worship Gathering. Your help is invaluable as you work with your kids at home to memorize the scriptures and songs. This program is a highlight of our Christmas season. Save the date!

## What God Wants for Christmas

Advent Message Series

Pastor Kurt Staeuble—Sunday AM—Dec. 8, 2024

What God Wants  
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### Message Notes:

Micah 6:8

- We are not only to be merciful in our a \_\_\_\_\_, but merciful in our h \_\_\_\_\_ as well.
- The Pharisees forgot that what matters most to God is not busy, religious activity, but how well we r \_\_\_\_\_ to and c \_\_\_\_\_ for the people around us.
- As you offer mercy and kindness to others, mercy and kindness will often c \_\_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_\_ to you.

**Scriptures visited in this message:** 1 Corinthians 1:27; Matthew 9:10-13, 23:23-24; Ephesians 2:1-9; Romans 5:6-8.





# Winter Baptism Opportunity!

**January 19, 2025**

**10:30 AM Worship Service—CBC Worship Center**

**Winter Baptism:** We typically offer baptism in the summer, but because we have a nice, warm baptistry in our worship center, we are offering baptisms on Sunday, January 19. If you've been thinking about being baptized, and the start of a new year seems like a good time for you to follow Jesus in the waters of baptism, let us know. You can call the church office or connect with a pastor with any questions. Sign up in the lobby.

**The Mercy Tree** has a few remaining ornaments representing Christmas gifts and needs for neighbors in our community: simple things we can provide to show mercy to those who may be in distress this holiday season. We are partnering once again with Angel Tree to provide gifts on behalf of incarcerated parents to their children; as well as providing gifts and gifts cards to Open Arms families and residents at UGM's Women's Shelter.



**Here's how it works:**

1. Find the Mercy Tree in the church lobby and take an ornament.
2. Fill out the tag on the ornament, and leave it in the Mercy Tree basket.
3. Purchase the item(s) listed on your ornament(s).
4. Follow instructions on the ornament for wrapping/returning the present.

**Next Sunday, December 15** is the day to return all gifts and gift cards to the church nursery counter. Contact the church office with any questions at 208-664-4883 or [office@cdabible.org](mailto:office@cdabible.org).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS!



# End of Year Giving

Every year we are grateful for your year-end gifts which help us meet our annual obligations. Your gifts also allow us to enter the new year with some seed money for a new year of ministry. We are always so amazed how God uses all of you to express such amazing Christmas generosity. To make a year-end gift, you can either:

1. Place your gift in one of the offering boxes found in the worship center or church lobby (please mark your gift "year-end giving"). The last Sunday to give in this manner is December 29, 2024.
2. Give online at the CDA Bible website, click on the 3-line menu box, and then click on "give." Gift must be made by December 31, 2024.
3. Mail your gift to the church office at CDA Bible Church, 5350 N. 4th Street, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815. Mailed gifts must be postmarked by December 31, 2024.
4. Hand deliver your gift at the church office. The office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00am-3:00pm. (Note the church office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's).

Once again, thank you for thinking about us as the year comes to a close. We are excited to see what God has in store for us in 2025!

**2024 Year-to-Date Giving:**

Giving need through the end of November: \$657,400

Giving total through the end of November: \$620,991

Deficit: **\$36,479**

Roof Fund Received: \$

**Eating for a Cancer-Free Life:**

A new group is starting soon. If you are interested in learning how to eat according to a cancer-free diet, praying together, and cooking together, join us!

Call Kristi Ammon @ 208-660-4817







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## Make Your Gift Here



Scan the QR code, enter your gift amount, and choose "Roof Fund" when prompted.

Thank you for considering how to participate!



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