

Hi Greg!

Thank you for your email!

The snow and the cold are now passing and little by little the days are getting longer and more springlike. But just like you well know, it is the Patagonia and there is always a little bit of cold.

You don't realize how significant your previous email was concerning this person that wants to help with the parsonage. The help we receive on behalf of the brothers and sisters of the ELCIC through so many years is encouraging and challenging to continue with the mission that God has called us to in the Patagonia of Argentina.

It was very emotional when I shared your email with all of the community in Esquel.

Just how you I wrote in response to your first email I shared that we had planned a visit from a group of men from Bariloche that form the team of Renovations and maintenance from the congregation of the Cross of the South, together with the community of Esquel, to see and to make a proposal for the cost for finishing the apartment and parsonage in Esquel, for the purpose of later sharing this information with all of the church and our companions in mission. And also I told that this visit is a part of a wonderful process that the community of Esquel together with the other communities of the Patagonian District we are sending and is the fruit of the maximum that God has called to share with the gifts that God has given us. The whole District is taking up this work in order to finish these properties which are potential resources for the whole mission in the Patagonia. In this sentiment your message telling us of the possibility that we could count on the help of this person from the Saskatchewan Synod is a gift from God!!!. You don't know how much the dedication of the ELCIC reinforces and enthuses us. With the help and the gifts of all those placed in the service of the Mission the work is not only more efficient but also more gratifying and is a testimony of the faith!!!

The meeting that we had and the team of renovations and maintenance from Bariloche not only took on the work of checking the state of the properties and make a budget but also promised to be involved in the collaborative work in this area. In so doing we went to Esquel again to include the Natural Gas and the Electricity in the Church and the apartment.

I sent you the budget for the parsonage and the apartment as both were prepared together. We hope to share this with everyone in the hope of moving this project forward.

I have also sent some pictures of the parsonage and the pilgrimage of work in Esquel.

It has been a long of time of many blessings! We give thanks to God for your love.

Affectionately;

Sergio