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MISSIONARIES TO COLOMBIA

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The Kautz Family

We are Corey and Tona Kautz, missionaries to Colombia since 2006. We focus on reaching at-risk children and youth by equipping churches, leaders, teachers and parents to impact the next generation with hope in Christ.



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SUMMER IN COLOMBIA

It has been an exciting time in Colombia. After two voting rounds, one in May and one in June, a new president has been elected. He will take office in August. Also, the Colombia national soccer team was again in the World Cup. Spirits were high and although the elections caused division in the country, the excitement over the World Cup united people everywhere as they watched the games together. It is hard to describe the electricity in the air and the sounds through the city when Colombia plays. From our apartment windows we heard people cheering in all of the surrounding neighborhoods, horns honking, fireworks going off. TVs and large screens are set up everywhere for people to watch all of the matches. We watched Colombia's final match partially in a restaurant and partially in the airport and everyone was united in emotion, hugging strangers in moments of victory and biting their nails together awaiting the final outcome of the penalty kicks.

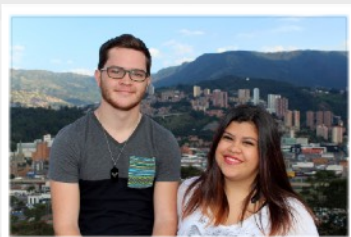


Children's Events in Comuna 13

Colombian schools have a mid-year break for the month of June. We had the honor of hosting a team from First Assembly of God in Greenville, South Carolina at the perfect time to help us offer summer fun for the kids. In two church locations we did two-day outreaches for the kids. Knowing the Sunday population of children in each church is around 15 to 20 kids, I was expecting a fairly small crowd. In the first community, called 20 de Julio, we had over 70 kids come to the event on the first day. The second day we lost count at 100!

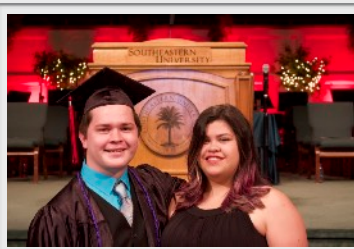
The third and fourth days took place in a tiny church in the neighborhood of El Salado. The church meets in what is roughly a 12x20 square foot size room. It didn't stop the kids from pouring in and both days over 70 kids squished into the church. It was hot and quite





The Kautz Kids

The Kautz Kids are well on their way to being full blown adults. Alex just graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Film Production from Southeastern University. He spent June as a camp counselor working with kids at Missionary Training and Missionary Renewal. Please keep him in your prayers as he looks for the right job to begin his career.



Maggie is spending the summer with us in Colombia. She had a tough semester that included surgery. She decided to come home to get some much needed rest. She is also helping us in the ministry. She will be spending July traveling with her Criminal Justice class on a school trip through the Northeast of the US to learn more about the history of the US criminal justice system. Please pray for Maggie as she travels and works towards preparing her future as well.



chaotic, but so much fun to love on the children from this neighborhood. The theme was “Bible Ninja” and we taught about trusting God to make wise decisions and to help us be strong.



We are very grateful to First Assembly of God, Greenville, for sending a top-notch team. Language was never a barrier for them to interact, play and bless the kids of Comuna 13.

Megatraining

In June, we planned and hosted the children's ministry portion of a multi-ministry training day. It was the first time such a training was done where churches could take their entire leadership team and spend the day deepening their knowledge in various ministries including those to youth, children, women, missions, social work and more. In total 300 people took part in the training. In the children's ministry portion we held two separate classes for level one and level two students, with a total of 46 leaders in the training. These times are so special to us because they not only better how churches can serve children in their communities, but it brings unity among the different churches represented and helps each leader learn from one another.

THANK YOU!

We are almost through our third year of service this term and hope to stay until early 2020. We have been amazed at the continued support and several new supporters who have joined in to help our work in Colombia. This wouldn't be possible without you! Thank you for giving, for praying and for checking in on us!



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