

# APRIL 2021



Hello brothers and sisters, I greet you in the love of Christ.

This semester I have been studying New Testament, Old Testament, Greek, Preaching, Doctrine, Counselling and Mission. I'm really enjoying Old Testament – this semester we have been looking at the connections with Jesus from Isaiah. I liked seeing that in Isaiah, Christ is seen not only in chapter 53 that speaks of the suffering servant, but in other chapters too. I have seen that we have the same tendency as the people of God in Isaiah's day – the constant struggle to obey God and his word. That is why I love knowing that Christ is the true people, faithful to God. Because of Christ, his sacrifice and his resurrection, we can be a people faithful to our Father, because there is the spirit of Christ in us.

The subject that I still find difficult is Greek. I have not studied other languages and so it is something that costs me. But, thank God, I have been able to see how important Greek is to better understand the Bible.

This semester God has taught me that he is sovereign and in full control of history. He has reminded me that my life is guaranteed in him and that, whatever happens on this earth, Christ has guaranteed an eternal inheritance for me. This fills me with confidence, gives me hope and gives me encouragement on the days when I don't remember it.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, church services and activities are taking place online. I am part of Cristo Redentor Church, Ñuñoa. I have been involved in the Sunday preaching and in teaching the children. What they told me this week was that they liked the preaching I did on a Sunday in March and that the children also understood it. That was wonderful, knowing that the children were attentive to the preaching. I am also a member of the music group and I take part in a midweek home group. I have been invited to preach twice a semester at Resurrección Church, Renca and twice a semester at Las Buenas Nuevas Church, Renca.

## Prayer points

- Keep praying for the Lord to help me better understand the subjects I am studying and to help me organise myself in a better way.
- Pray that the Lord will keep changing my heart and giving me joy for his word.
- Pray that we'd get out of this pandemic soon
- Pray for my sister, Israela Madrid. She is finishing her studies in Architecture at the Central University of Chile. She is working on her title project and has a presentation on 29 April. Pray that the Lord will help her and reassure her (she is a Christian). Pray for my brother Claudio Peña – he is not a Christian. He is 49 years old and has four children. Pray that he may know God and have true hope and rest in Jesus. Pray for my parents, Abraham Madrid and Elsa Aguilera – that God will protect them and take care of them.

From Pablo Madrid Aguilera

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