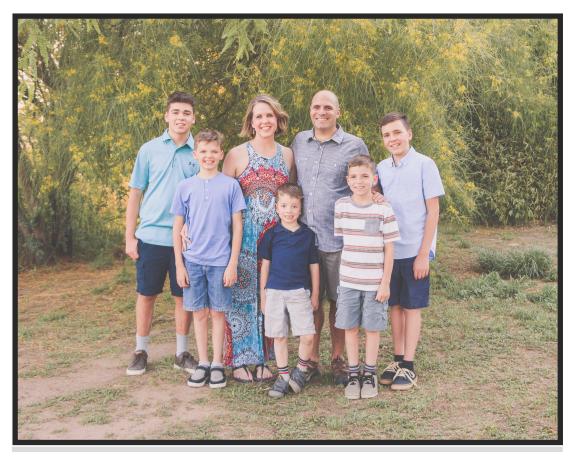
### PARTNER INFORMATION PACKET



## Reaching Teaching

Eric and Danica Abisror

Missionaries to Argentina with Reaching and Teaching International Ministries

REACHING AND TEACHING INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES					



### **MEET THE ABISRORS**

Eric and Danica Abisror are currently serving in Cordoba, Argentina. They were sent out from Emmanuel Baptist Church in Mount Vernon, Washington, in 2018, where he previously served as pastor. Before pastoring, Eric got his MDiv from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and BA from The Masters College. He is currently pursuing a doctorate degree in Biblical Counseling from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Abisrors have a passion for biblical counseling and discipleship, pastoral and leadership training, and for teaching the Word of God. Eric serves as an elder at Iglesia Biblica Bautista Crecer, a professor at William Carey Seminary, and as a regional trainer for the Association of Baptist Reformed Churches in Argentina. Danica loves serving her family and ministering the word of God, particularly through the discipleship and biblical counseling of women.

The Abisrors have 5 active boys, Josiah, Jackson, Isaac, Benjamin and Logan.



## A THEOLOGICAL FAMINE: WHY DID WE CHOOSE TO SERVE WITH REACHING AND TEACHING?

An estimated 85% of the 2.2 million evangelical churches worldwide are led by pastors with insufficient training. (<a href="https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/international/about">https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/international/about</a>)

- The ratio of theologically trained workers to people in the U.S.: 1:230
- The ratio of theologically trained workers to people outside the U.S.: 1:450,000

### REACHING AND TEACHING INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES SEEKS TO MEET THIS NEED.

Reaching & Teaching International Ministries exists to:

Make Mature Disciples. Establish Healthy Local Churches. Train Local Leaders.





### WHY ARGENTINA?

"Famous for its tango dance, love of beef, and omnipresent consumption of the herbal tea "mate" (pronounced *ma-te*), Argentina is the second- largest country in South America and the eighth-largest country in the world, according to land size. Argentina has a population of more than 43 million, and about 76 percent of the population identify as Roman Catholic, although less than 10 percent practice.

In 2013, to the surprise of many, Argentina took center stage as Cardinal Jorge Mario

Bergoglio was elected as the new pope, the first one chosen from the Americas. On social issues, in 2010 Argentina became the first country in Latin America to approve same-sex marriage; as for abortion, with a few exceptions, it remains illegal. Mirroring trends in Europe, there is a growing secularist tide in the country. In this context, it's not surprising that only 9 percent identify as evangelicals." <sup>1</sup> From: https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/the-gospel-in-argentina

Argentina is also home to several indigenous groups, even some who remain unreached with the gospel. And there are areas of great need in sound teaching and training in Argentina. Like other areas of Latin America, the evangelical church in Argentina faces challenges that range from legalism other false heresy including the health-and-wealth gospel. Additionally, the number of biblically-sound seminaries is staggeringly low. There is a great need for leaders to be trained, churches to be strengthened, and new churches to be planted.



### **Our Vision**

Our ministry is centered in Córdoba, Argentina. We have a passion to see leaders and pastors trained, churches strengthened, believers sanctified, new churches planted, and ultimately to see God glorified in Argentina and in the world. Alongside another Reaching and Teaching family, the Wrights, and our local church there, Iglesia Biblica Bautista Crecer, we are working with several different related ministries to see this vision come to fruition.

### **Pastoral Training**

Eric is involved in pastoral and leadership training throughout Argentina through ABRA (The Association of Baptist Reformed Churches in Argentina). He teaches Bible courses such as New Testament survey, expositional preaching,

theology and biblical counseling, all with the goal of strengthening local churches and their leaders.

### **Biblical Counseling**

Eric heads up the biblical counseling program at the William Carey Seminary. This is an online and inperson program with students all over the Latin American world. He also runs the ACBC (Association of Certified Biblical Counselors) training site at the Seminary and is a supervisor for Spanish speaking biblical counseling training. He does



biblical counseling regularly within the church. Danica also does week-to-week biblical counseling with women in the church.

### **Missions Sending**

We are excited about being a part of the beginnings of what God is doing through raising up missionaries in Latin America to go to other parts of the world. We believe that a healthy church is a sending church, and Eric is involved in working with and discipling potential missionary candidates from our church and association of churches.

### **Biblical Resources**

Good, solid biblical resources are often hard to come by in Argentina, for various reasons. But we are excited about the opportunity that the Seminary has had to start a printing company that publishes sound resources in Spanish. We also had the opportunity to write an introduction to Biblical counseling book, that was one of the first resources of its kind in Spanish.

### **Local Church Ministry**

Eric is an elder at our local church and preaches and teaches there on regular basis. Danica helps with children's and women's ministries. And we are a part of the small group ministry there as well.

### **PARTNERSHIP**

Would you prayerfully consider partnering with Reaching and Teaching in support of our ministry in Argentina? We long to see church leaders trained, churches strengthened, and God be glorified in Argentina. Just like all Reaching and Teaching staff and missionaries, we have the responsibility to raise our own financial support. This is more than just sending money, this is the opportunity to partner with us as we seek to obey all of the Great Commission, to reach and teach the nations!

In Philippians 4:17 Paul writes, "Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit." We are encouraged knowing that your partnership with Reaching and Teaching in Argentina will not only be a blessing to us, but will serve to grow and bless you as you give to the Lord's work in the Great Commission!

We would be honored if you and/or your church would consider partnering with Reaching and Teaching in support of us through your prayer and financial support! Your regular support will be the fuel that allows day-to-day ministry to occur in training and discipleship in the church in Argentina.

### PARTNERSHIP IN PRAYER

There are several ways you can pray for us:

- Praise God for what He has done and is doing through us in the past six years in Argentina.
- Praise God for our sending church, Emmanuel Baptist Church, and the other supporting churches that are faithful to send us and support us.
- Pray that God would work mightily in 2024 as we are on Stateside Assignment. There are lots of travel, partnership contacts, and relationships to strengthen.
- Pray that God would continue to give us grace to minister in the many areas we are involved in: pastoral training, biblical counseling, local church ministry, and church strengthening in Argentina.
- Pray that God would be working in our Reaching and Teaching team for unity and shared vision.
- Pray that the Gospel of Jesus Christ would be central to all that we do personally and in ministry.
- Pray for our kids their salvation and sanctification.
- Pray for the strength of our marriage through the many challenges of ministry life.



### **FUNDING GOALS**

### **Monthly Costs Breakdown**

We are currently able to live and minister with our current funding, which has not changed much since we started raising support about six years ago. But with increased inflation and a growing ministry and family, there are some new needs we are looking to cover. This visual shows the potential number of ministry partners or churches that Reaching and Teaching International Ministries needs us to raise in order to be at 100% ministry funding EACH MONTH in the coming term.



POTENTIAL NUMBER OF NEW PARTNERS = 10+

TOTAL NEEDING TO BE RAISED= Approximately \$2800 PER MONTH

Here is what the \$2800 per month includes:

- Increase in living and educational expenses for the growing Abisror family
- Increase in ministry needs at the Seminary
- Increase in medical/insurance expenses
- Increase in travel expenses for ministry

### **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

### **Optional Project Specific Gifts**

There are several opportunities for additional projects through our ministry. These are particularly helpful to move projects and ministry forward, giving specific energy to certain ministries. Here are some ideas of how you or your church could contribute to specific projects. These are approximate costs.

Podcast Hosting for Theological Podcast	\$12/month or \$144 total/year
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Travel Expenses for A Pastoral Training Trip \$33/month or \$400 total/year

William Carey Seminary Class Funding \$41/month or \$500 total/year

Prensa Carey Book Publishing Project Funding \$83/month or \$1000 total/year

Biblical Counseling Administrative Secretary \$100 for one month or \$1200 total/year

Increased Educational/Homeschooling Expenses \$350 for one month or \$4200 total/year

### PARTNERSHIP OPTIONS

There are several ways you can give financially:

### **ONLINE**

You can setup recurring giving online by check or credit card at <a href="https://rtim.org/about-us/our-staff/eric-and-danica-abisror/">https://rtim.org/about-us/our-staff/eric-and-danica-abisror/</a>

### **BY MAIL**

You can give monthly by check.

Mail checks to:

Reaching and Teaching International Ministries PO Box 122 Wheaton, IL 60187



\*Reaching and Teaching International Ministries is a 501 (c) 3 organization

### PARTNER COMMITMENTS

If you choose to partner with us through Reaching and Teaching in Argentina, here are the commitments we make to you:

Communication: Along with regular newsletter updates, you can expect to hear from us regularly about how the ministry and work is going.

Because we are partners in this ministry, we want you to know what is happening so you can better pray and give thanks for what God is doing.



- A Commitment to Faithful Stewardship: Hudson Taylor famously said, "God's work done God's way will never lack God's supply." We believe that is true, but there is a condition in that statement. We must be doing the work in God's way. We know your financial commitment is significant and sacrificial. We commit to steward those resources well and to work diligently and faithfully in the ministry of Reaching and Teaching in Argentina.
- A Commitment to Partnership: We are grateful for each member of our partner team and the desire to see gospel faithfulness in Argentina. If you choose to partner with us, know that we are committed to you as a valued member of that team.

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