



The King Benjamin Missionary Clothing Program

News From Argentina

A note from Eduardo Olivera, our coordinator in Santiago del Estero.

Upon learning of the offer of shirts and suits for his missionary service, Elder Sosa was much relieved. A short time later, when the clothing arrived, he was impressed by the quantity of the clothing (it was more than he could have ever thought). He felt very happy and grateful to be blessed with this chance to serve his mission (in Paraguay) with good clothing.



CORDOBA ARGENTINA TEMPLE

How excited to hear President Thomas S. Monson announce at General Conference that a temple will be built in the city of Córdoba, Argentina. I've been told the members in San Juan let out

cheers, gasps of surprise and joy, some applause, and that there were many tears shed as the announcement was made. We feel very grateful for this announcement, and are confident that this tem-

ple will bless both the lives of members in the temple district, but also be a blessing for the entire country.

Missionaries Helped During 2008. In the past 3 months, we have provided clothing to 6 missionaries from 5 provinces. We are aware of several other missionaries who will be leaving in the next several months. We've shipped four boxes of clothing, and had three individuals deliver clothing for the program.

We are in contact with three individuals who plan to deliver suitcases of clothing directly to Argentina in November.

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*"A man filled with the love of God is not content with blessing his family alone, but ranges through the whole world, anxious to bless the whole human race."
Joseph Smith, Jr.*

The King Benjamin Missionary Clothing Program collects, prepares and sends parcels of used and new clothing and distributes it at no cost to outgoing LDS missionaries from needy families in several provinces in Argentina. As of June 2008, the program has assisted missionaries in the following provinces: San Juan, San Luis, La Rioja, Catamarca, Salta, Santiago del Estero, Santa Cruz, Jujuy, Formosa, and Corrientes. In 2007, 20 shipments of clothing were either mailed to or hand delivered to Argentina; benefiting 19 missionaries in 6 provinces.

We seek out and appreciate opportunities to partner with ex-missionaries returning to Argentina, or family members traveling to pick up a missionary, who are willing to take with them a suitcase of clothing for the program.

FREQUENT FLIERS: *Also, if any are willing to donate frequent flier miles or a travel voucher to help cover a trip to Argentina to visit the coordinators, please notify me.*

