

Dear Everyone,

Merry Christmas and happy new year. Hope you have/had a good one. Christmas here is very straightforward; everyone gets together with family/friends on the night of the 24th and eats too much meat. Argentinian "asado" is an art form, the rule is to cater half a kilo of meat per person, cooked on a slow BBQ. Martin has been taking lessons from Pastor Ruben, and our friend Oscar, as in this photo...



What have we been up to the last two months, other than BBQing?

Martin has been making a steady recovery from his spinal surgery. We hope to be given the all clear at his next check-up in January. He has restarted Spanish lessons, after a six month break, and is even enjoying it! Naturally he has been doing things with computers, including rebuilding the church computers, and writing software, such as the bilingual software for our blog. It can be found at www.frostmartinhazel.org and click on the blog button. We've not found any other bilingual blogs, and we like to think ours has something of a sense of mission as being "from the nations to the nations".

Hazel has been developing some disability type contacts. We had a great trip to La Plata where I found out about some really good work going on, and hoping to firm up a link there. I was on a disability conference here in Cordoba, and I am continuing my involvement with a group of adults with learning disabilities on Saturdays. Thursdays I am visiting at the long term/terminal hospital, and at the moment on Tuesdays and Wednesdays I am out at the childrens' home doing school support for some of the kids over the summer, to try and catch them up in time for the next school year.

We enjoy going to Barrio Sacchi on Sundays, and sometimes in the week, to support the church-plant there (see photo). Martin has a new challenge, to give his first message in Spanish, in Sacchi in the new year.

Visas: Having stood in many queues, we are now officially "precarious residents", although we are hoping to upgrade this to "temporary residents" in another month or so, we are just missing one piece of paper.



True story... We were having lunch with people, and our host offered us some ice balls to go in our drink. "Do you know what these are?" He said. No, we didn't. "They're hail stones... they were much bigger when they first fell, but we had to wait until it had stopped hailing before we could go out and collect them".

Thank you for reading this, and for all your support in 2006. May you have a joyful Christmas, and a cracking start to 2007!

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Love from
 Hazel X Martin