

3. Planting New Congregation— Salta City, Argentina \$7,393



Funds for this project will go toward planting a new Lutheran congregation in Salta City. The sixth largest city in Argentina, it has a population of 600,000 and 90% are Roman Catholic. There are few Protestant churches in the country. A group of 15 people are meeting regularly and are preparing a constitution to start a new Lutheran congregation. It is estimated that between July 2006 and June 2007 the congregation membership should reach 70. Rev. Claudio Herber, the shepherd of this new congregation estimates an additional 4,000 contacts can come from sharing Christ with the parents of two nearby schools and through men and women who respond to Christ for all Nations radio spots. With limited income from local families, this congregation would have difficulty starting. LCMS feels this project is of high priority and requests a grant of \$10,000 towards establishing a new congregation in Salta City, Argentina.

Prayer

Although Salta City, Argentina is so far away from us, Father, we ask you to bless the work that is going on there. There are a few people who are gathering to start a Lutheran congregation. Encourage them to continue to reach out to their neighbors and friends. Use our gifts of mites in a mighty way that these people on another continent might know that their sisters in Christ are together with them in building up Your kingdom. In Jesus' name, Amen.