

W5 on Missions



The Nacho Family

Who? David and Suzannah Nacho and their children, Sofia (8), Andrés (5), and Anna Laura (3).

When? The Nachos moved to their present assignment in the fall of 2016.

Where? They serve with Canadian Baptist Ministries in Latin America and are based in Costa Rica.



What? This past year, God has led the Nachos through the closing of a chapter of life and ministry in Bolivia to the hopeful and promising opening of a new chapter in Costa Rica. David and Suzannah work with CETI (the Spanish acronym for Com-

munity of Interdisciplinary Theological Studies). CETI provides students with both a missional understanding of the church and tools to live out integral discipleship through work, family, and society. As the program's academic dean, David gives leadership and strategic direction to the program. In addition to dedicating her time to their young children, Suzannah serves as an adjunct professor.

The Baptist Seminary in Cochabamba, Bolivia, recently announced that they hired Pastor Miguel Gonzales to be CETI's coordinator in Bolivia. Miguel has been part of CETI for the past two years, and has been running integral mission initiatives out of his church. Please pray for Miguel and his wife, Noelia, in this new role, as they have a lot to offer to Bolivia's leadership.

The Nachos say, "We started this year with gratitude for your continued support and prayers for our ministry of leadership formation in Latin America. We were extremely blessed by a smooth transition of passing our ministry over to local leaders, pastors, and [the] Baptist Seminary in Bolivia. In Costa Rica, we are exploring ways to participate in some of the ministries of Casa Adobe, an intentional community of theologically-minded Christian workers and Salvadorian refugees. [Casa Adobe is] also where the offices of CETI are located. We are looking forward to joining them in training and outreach through community gardening. The project hopes to focus on the practical and missional implications of creation care. Suzannah plans to seek out more opportunities to get involved in creation conservation projects."



Sharing a meal at Casa Adobe

Why? Although David will occasionally train facilitators for the basic level of CETI, the move to Costa Rica was very intentional about focusing on CETI's master's level. David will continue to teach, as well as put more time into curriculum development, finding more faculty, and working with faculty to enhance the quality of CETI's education.

Prayer Requests:

- Please pray for the Nacho family and their work in Latin America as CBM field staff based in Costa Rica.
- Pray for their work with CETI society. Pray for students and ministries that CBM supports across Bolivia, El Salvador, and Cuba, as they engage in theological education and integral mission. Local church leaders and laypeople are crucial to the future of the kingdom of God.
- Pray for David as he travels in Latin America to work closely with CETI staff, train facilitators, contribute to the development of training materials, and teach courses.

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