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“Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” (Psalm 46:10)

What a privilege it has been to serve as Latin Link's International Team Leader during these past four years. I am delighted to be passing the baton on to Suzanne Potter with her rich experience of serving and leading within Latin Link and her passion for Jesus and his mission.

I am so grateful to God for all his help and his continued sustaining of Latin Link. May you know his presence each day, as you make time to be still and know that he is God. Thank you again for your continued prayerful support for Latin Link and for using this prayer calendar to help you do that; it means so much.

Please pray creatively: the general prayer points will have specific application throughout the year, while you can use the dates of the month along the top for daily prayers. All our Stride (6–24 months) and Stay (2+ years) members are here, along with their sending churches (C) and Striders' in-country mentors (M).

Thank you for praying,

Paul Turner, International Team Leader

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1st Argentina



Population	44.7 million
Currency	Peso
People	Euro-Argentinian 72%
	Other Hispanic 7%
	Indigenous 7%
	Italian 5%
	Middle Eastern 3%
	Other 6%
Main language	Spanish

Please pray with Latin Link Argentina:

- Severe droughts in the north and south, flooding in traditionally drier regions, plus hotter average temperature have added to Argentina's long-standing woes. Some 45% of the population have acute basic needs. Over the last two decades the number of families on government hand-outs has increased from two to twenty million. Inflation remains stubbornly high with successive governments reluctant to implement what it needs to bring it down. Incomes are generally static and low, causing increasing hardship and, at times, serious family issues. Pray for Argentina's national, provincial, and local governments.
- For young people trained in computer sciences, good jobs are relatively easy to come by; pay is good. The remainder who have jobs often work long hours to get by, they will probably never own their own home. Over 20% of under thirties cannot find a job. Increasing numbers of young people believe that there is no future for them in Argentina. Pray for the churches' young people and their leaders.
- Argentina's government's response to Covid-19 was to impose one of the longest and most stringent lockdowns in the world. But later, to get millions back to work and to revive the economy, restrictions were relaxed. Congregations hesitantly began to return to smaller gatherings in church buildings. In general, the pandemic has been a very traumatic and stressful experience for church leaders as they have tried to adapt, keep in touch with members and provide adequate ministry and pastoral care. Pray for pastors and leadership teams.

1st Argentina • • • • •



Hans and Priscilla Breekveldt, with Josh, live in Salta. Rebi and Mathias Weikl live in Belgium. Hans and Priscilla are on the pastoral team of San Andrés Church in Salta. Hans also teaches a variety of biblical courses online. Priscilla is part of the COMIBAM Member Care Team in Argentina with responsibility for contact with the Argentine families serving around the world as well as a responsibility for the Spanish speaking families in Latin Link. Priscilla is the Southern Cone **Team Leader**. Josh is at Music College and works with the teens and pre-teen groups at San Andrés. Rebi is involved in on-line discipling of Argentine Third Culture Kids in countries around Europe.

C: FAIRFIELD, NORTHWOOD HILLS
EVANGELICAL CHURCH, ENGLAND



Daniel and Flavia Lescano, with Sofi, live in Salta. Daniel is the Coordinating Pastor for San Andrés Church. He is training a team for a church plant in a difficult neighbourhood and also involved in projects for the Anglican Diocese of Northern Argentina. Flavia is involved in discipling women and supports the children's work in the new church plant. Flavia is a member of the Southern Cone Team Executive.

C: SAN ANDRÉS ANGLICAN CHURCH, SALTA,
ARGENTINA



Paula and Matías Rigau, with Santiago and baby Malena, live in Salta. They are both part of the pastoral team of San Andrés. Matías disciples several young men as well as coordinating the church's lunch programme for the homeless, *Proyecto Compartir* (The Share Project). Paula coordinates a team of Sunday School teachers. Matías and Paula are coordinating Latin Link short term programmes and mobilisation in Argentina and are connected more widely with the mission movement in Argentina and Latin America. Paula is a member of the Southern Cone Team Executive.

C: SOUTHCOURT BAPTIST CHURCH, AYLESBURY,
ENGLAND; ASHLEY BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW
MILTON, ENGLAND; SAN ANDRÉS ANGLICAN
CHURCH, SALTA, ARGENTINA

1st Argentina • • • • •



Hazel and Martin Frost, with Joni and Danny, live in San Francisco, Córdoba province. They support two local congregations through preaching and ministry to children. Martin is involved in prison ministry and with ex-prisoners, and works on a number of Christian technology projects. Hazel teaches English and is a Scout Leader. Hazel is working with people with disabilities at the local riding stables. They are foster parents for two young people, one of whom has a young child.

C: ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BALDOCK,
HERTFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND



Annelien Wisse returned to Salta early in 2021 as a Stay member, continuing to develop evangelistic and discipleship ministries with children, teenagers and young women. She is involved in a church plant. Annelien is developing the role of mobiliser in the Southern Cone Team.

C: GKV 'WATERPLEINKERK', ROTTERDAM
CENTRUM, THE NETHERLANDS



Leandro Berguesi and Romina Gramajo de Berguesi, with Donato, were accepted as Stride members in 2020 but due to the pandemic they have been unable to travel to the UK. They currently live and work in La Plata as they wait on God's guidance for the next steps.

C: IGLESIA BAUTISTA ZONA OESTE, CIUDAD DE
LA PLATA, ARGENTINA

2nd Bolivia



Population	11.6 million
Currency	Boliviano
People	Highland Indigenous 50%, Mestizo 44%, Lowland Indigenous 4%, German 2%
Main language	Spanish, Aymara, Quechua, Guaran

Please pray with Latin Link Bolivia:

- Bolivia has been hit hard by Covid-19 during 2021. Please pray for the new government, and for investment in the health system, to better support those that really need it.
- Pray for righteousness and the implementation of true justice in a nation where the issue of corruption looms large and the tendency to manipulation by those in power is prominent.
- Pray for the church, where theological and denominational differences can be barriers to effective gospel proclamation. Pray also for a rejection of prosperity theology, which remains prominent, corrosive and a source of great confusion.

2nd Bolivia



Louis and Maribel Woodley are based in Potosí. They are involved with discipleship and training of leaders, particularly young leaders. Louis continues as National Coordinator with the Timothy Institute in Bolivia and travels on their behalf. Maribel is involved in missions mobilisation with Mission in Action. She gives pastoral care to a group of miners' widows. Maribel is also part of the Latin Link International Forum.

C: WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, LONDON, ENGLAND; SAFFRON WALDEN COMMUNITY CHURCH, ENGLAND



Julie Noble works with Prison Fellowship International in Oruro. She supports the Angel Tree Centre programme, which works with prisoners' children and their families, and is part of the Restoring Hope programme, which implements discipleship and restorative justice initiatives with prisoners and young offenders. Julie serves on the *PRADOS* (drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre) board.

C: CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHPORT, ENGLAND



Juan Soza and Anouschka Putschky de Soza, with Emely, Lisa and Jonathan, work in La Paz and El Alto, where they run programmes for children, teenagers and adults who live on the streets, many of whom have drug and alcohol-related problems. They support prison ministries in various sites across the region, as well as running services and evangelistic and discipleship programmes with children and their families in rural areas.

C: CHRISTIAN EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF MANNHEIM, GERMANY

3rd Bolivia



Joe Stoneham is based in Sucre. He is serving at *El Alfarero* (The Potter) student ministry, which seeks to support Bolivian students holistically. He is involved in mentoring young people.

C: HOOK EVANGELICAL CHURCH, SURBITON, SURREY, ENGLAND



Graham and Debbie Frith are the National Directors of *El Alfarero* (The Potter), a student ministry in Sucre, Santa Cruz and La Paz, which provides holistic services to university students, including a café, counselling centre, pregnancy crisis, refuge, library and training. They also head up *El Aprendiz* (The Apprentice), a Masters course in Strategic Leadership, which seeks to train professionals who are called to youth ministry across Latin America, and AYLA, a Missions Training School for Latino missionaries. Graham is the Bolivia **Team Leader**.

C: HOPE (formerly Meadows) COMMUNITY CHURCH, WIGSTON, ENGLAND



Craig and Amanda Cunningham, with Sam, live in the city of Santa Cruz. Craig serves as pastor of Trinity International Church and as Coordinator of the Langham Preaching programme in Santa Cruz. Amanda is Latin Link's Short-Term Coordinator in Bolivia.

C: SHETTLESTON NEW CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, GLASGOW, SCOTLAND

4th Bolivia



Sadie Grace Hammond and Víctor Hugo Villarroel are both on the Stride programme, having got married in December 2020. Sadie will be teaching ESL as part of AYLÀ, a missions training school, which is part of *El Alfarero* (The Potter) ministry in Santa Cruz. Additionally, she will be helping at the *Talita Cumi* children's home. Víctor supports the work of AYLÀ and the *El Aprendiz* (The Apprentice) Masters programme in *El Alfarero*; he also helps at *Talita Cumi*. Sadie Grace and Víctor serve the local church as part of the worship, hospitality, and children's ministry teams. Víctor is also the Bolivia team's Mission Mobiliser.

C: EL SHADDAI, LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY, USA
M: DEBBIE AND GRAHAM FRITH

4th Brazil



Population	210 million
Currency	Real
People	European groups 47.41%, Mixed race 43.42%, African 7%, Other 2.17%
Main language	Portuguese

Please pray with Latin Link Brazil:

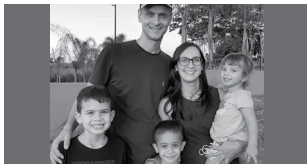
- Pray for the Brazilian church to grow in maturity, unity, in understanding of the word and of biblical ethics, to be bold in confronting sin and to resist the temptation to exchange political support for resources and power.
- Brazil's presidential elections are scheduled for October 2022. There is much apprehension about these, since the last two elections have seen growing polarisation, and hostilities have only grown since then. Please pray that they would take place, that they would be free and fair, and that the results would be accepted by all parties. Pray that the Brazilian church would display integrity throughout the election period, and respond with wisdom and courage to unfolding events.
- Pray for Latin Link Brazil to grow as a sending and receiving team.

5th Brazil



Izaías and Ruth Daniel de Assis work in Ceará state in rural northeast Brazil. They are involved in church planting and mission ministry using music, dance, sport, discipleship and drama. Their son, Jonathan, is studying at Hillsong in Australia. They will be on Sending Country Assignment in mid-2022.

C: THUNDERSLEY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ESSEX, ENGLAND; ST GILES CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON, ENGLAND



Phil and Carolina Rout, with Benjamin, Samuel and Joanna, plan to move into a new ministry in January. After six years of study and local church ministry in São Paulo, they are heading to Anápolis, where Phil will join the staff at their denominational theological seminary. They also plan to be on Sending Country Assignment in the UK during this year.

C: ARGYLE COMMUNITY CHURCH, READING, ENGLAND; IGREJA EVANGÉLICA CONGREGACIONAL DE RIBEIRÃO PRETO, BRAZIL



Paul Crothers is working with two ministries in Recife: *Project Vale/Rama* (Valley Project) and Valuing Lives Ministries. Both are Christian community-based projects reaching out to children, teenagers and families.

C: SLOAN STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, LISBURN, NORTHERN IRELAND

5th Brazil



Tim and Hannah Flatman, with Rita and Moses, serve at *Betel Brasileiro* church in Custódia, Pernambuco. They lead a church plant in a rural quilombola community: a predominantly Afro-Brazilian community formed in resistance to slavery and racist oppression. They also work with the Ngok Dinka in Abyei, South Sudan, teaching, preaching, offering practical assistance, and advocating for peace and rights. Tim serves as the Brazil **Team Leader** and Hannah as Short Term Coordinator.

C: ST JOHN'S, EGHAM, ENGLAND; COSHAM BAPTIST CHURCH, COSHAM, ENGLAND; WAKEFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH, WAKEFIELD, ENGLAND; SOUTH HAMS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, DEVON, ENGLAND; HEADINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH, OXFORD, ENGLAND



Gisele Cerqueira de Souza is a Brazilian Strider sent from São Paulo to rural North East Brazil. She arrived in October 2021 and will spend two years dividing her time between visiting families, providing support to a Compassion project, and working alongside Tim and Hannah in Serra da Torre quilombola community.

C: IGREJA BATISTA NOVA ALIANÇA CIDADE ADEMAR, SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL
M: TÂNIA CARVALHO RAMOS DE SOUZA



Olivia Prentice will spend six months in São Paulo as a Strider working with NGO *Compassiva* (Compassionate) alongside women, teens and refugees in urban communities, arriving by July 2022.

C: HIGHFIELD CHURCH, SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND
M: RUTH BORGES

6th Britain and Ireland



Please pray with Latin Link Britain & Ireland:

- With ongoing change, both inside and outside the church, our role to mobilise people for God's mission remains paramount. The opportunities are great for more gospel workers in both Latin America and Britain and Ireland, and there is a constant need to use our resources wisely as we promote the openings God has given us.
- Mobilisation: Our priority is to mobilise more people and churches into mission. Pray for us as we seek to engage more effectively with more churches and to connect with people that God is calling to serve in Latin America. Pray too that more people would follow God to serve in Europe and that we would be ready to receive them.
- Development: We strive to stay in step with God's Spirit, follow his will and look to serve him. Please pray for us as we continue to work through how we stay relevant and effective in reaching a changing world.
- Society: Britain and Ireland have been hard hit by the Covid-19 pandemic which is changing aspects of day to day living. Britain has formally left the European Union and is seeking to establish a new relationship with the other countries of Europe.

Population	73.30 million
Currency	Pound/Euro
People	Anglo-Saxon/ Celtic British 76%, Irish 10%, Asian 7%, Other European 3%, African-Caribbean 2%, Other 2%
Main language	English, Gaelic, Welsh

7th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Jacqueline (Jax) McCallum is working with Scripture Union in Northern Ireland as an E3 Schools Worker for East Antrim.

C: ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS ANGLICAN CHURCH, BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA



Lelmer and Renata Campos, with Joshua and Bethany, are serving at Ebenezer Evangelical Church in Weymouth, where Lelmer has recently been appointed as the Pastor. As well as preaching and church leadership, he is involved in children's and youth work, engaging with community projects and active in pastoral care. Renata is involved in the parent and toddler group and Sunday school teaching, as well as supporting Lelmer in his work.

C: SEMINARIO SERVOS DE CRISTO, GUARAPARI, BRAZIL



Orlando Castro together with his wife Sally-Anne, is involved in a music ministry to churches in Diss and the surrounding area. He teaches Spanish and ministers to Latin Americans he meets with regularly.

C: ALLURIQUIN BAPTIST CHURCH, ECUADOR

7th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Denise and David Flynn work in an advisory role among Deaf Christians in Britain and Ireland, Bolivia and across Latin America. They teach Christian Discipleship and Bible Training courses for Deaf people and BSL (British Sign Language) users and lead short-term mission teams to Bolivia that include social projects.

C: MERLAND RISE CHURCH, TADWORTH, ENGLAND; IGLESIA BAUTISTA CRISTO SALVA, COCHABAMBA, BOLIVIA



Sadoc and Vivi Chongo, with Olivia and Sadoc Jr, are serving as youth and community workers at Dalry Trinity Church, North Ayrshire, Scotland. They run after-school clubs for primary and secondary school pupils.

C: IGLESIA EVANGÉLICA CENTRO AMERICANA CAMINO DE VIDA, GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA



Raquel Lima is serving as a Youth and Community Worker at Forefront Community Church in Chard, Somerset as part of the community outreach team. She will also continue to support lusophone youth and children in the town and encourage young people of faith to grow their relationship with God.

C: IGREJA BÍBLICA ÁGAPE, SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL
M: TBC

8th Britain and Ireland



Maribel Beyuma Chao, is serving at St Hilda's Church, Manchester until October. Maribel is assisting with the church's programmes for young people and families and also reaching out to the Spanish-speaking community.

C: FAMILIA KAIROS, SANTA CRUZ, BOLIVIA
M: TBC



Sam and Nathalia Rios Caballero, with Árlam and Tímos, had planned to arrive in the UK in September 2021, but due to the pandemic this had to be postponed. They hope to arrive in September 2022 to work with Magdalen Road Church in Oxford to help the church to better engage in community outreach.

C: IGREJA CRISTÃ EVANGÉLICA DE BRASÍLIA, BRASÍLIA, BRAZIL
M: TBC



Pipe and Abi Figueroa, with their daughters Chloe and Gabriela, moved from Bogotá to the U.K. in January 2021. They are serving as pioneers to develop a youth ministry in Christ Church Barnet, a church in North London, which includes outreach and discipling teens through midweek clubs and youth groups. They plan to stay there for at least 2 more years.

C: LA CASA, BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA

8th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Jan Greenwood serves as family and Missionary Kid (MK) carer for Latin Link International and also for Philhos, the department of the Brazilian Mission Association (AMTB), which promotes the well-being of the MK and their family. Having returned from service with LL in Brazil most of her work is now done online. She lives with Phil, her husband, in Yorkshire.

C: CHEAM BAPTIST CHURCH, CHEAM, UK



Vicky Valladares is working alongside the Latin Link International Core Team in the development of communication resources and is coordinating the creation of an international communications team to increase Latin Link's public relations presence in Latin America and unify the communication efforts of our different teams, to make visible the stories in Latin America that glorify God and inspire others to pray, donate and join the mission of God.

C: IGLESIA EVANGÉLICA CENTRO AMERICANA
CAMINO DE VIDA, GUATEMALA CITY,
GUATEMALA



Wilma and Paul Davies are based in Bourne, Lincolnshire. Wilma works with Incoming Mission, researching and developing new placements for Latin Americans. She also cares pastorally for new and more established incoming mission workers. Paul is part-time pastor at Bourne Baptist Church and continues to be available as Latin Link's Theological Consultant.

C: HERTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH, ENGLAND;
FISHPONDS BAPTIST CHURCH, BRISTOL,
ENGLAND; KINGS FELLOWSHIP, BANGOR,
NORTHERN IRELAND

9th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Edith Vilamajó is a teacher and the Dean of Students at the online Evangelical School of Theology in Spain (www.escuelafieide.net). She also mentors several people in ministry. She is married to Peter and they have a son, Alex.

C: COWLEY CHURCH COMMUNITY, OXFORD, ENGLAND



Kathie Davis-Bater is the Office Manager, overseeing the practicalities of running the Reading office and looking after the building. As HR Administrator she is also responsible for looking after the staff team. Kathie is married to Mike and mother to Robert and Zoë. She leads the prayer ministry in her church.

C: THE GATE, READING, ENGLAND



Marie Nevers is Finance Manager, responsible for the day-to-day finances of the organisation, statutory accounts (including annual audit), budgets and overseeing payroll.

C: TYNDALE BAPTIST CHURCH, READING, ENGLAND



Paul Savage is Income Administrator, processing income and gifts, and ensuring they get to the members being supported. He keeps members up to date with their finances and handles Gift Aid.

C: NORCOT MISSION CHURCH, READING, ENGLAND

9th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Terry Lockyer is Head of Programmes and oversees the Step, Stride and Stay programmes, as well as the Incoming Mission programme. Terry is also part of the Latin Link Britain and Ireland Leadership Team and is the acting **Team Leader**. Along with his wife Simone, Terry is based in Birmingham but travels to Reading when needed.

C: SUTTON COLDFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH,
SUTTON COLDFIELD, ENGLAND



Simone Lockyer is the Incoming Mission Coordinator. Simone works closely with Wilma to oversee all aspects involved in supporting and caring for Latin American Striders and Stay members working in the UK. In addition, she provides member care support to Stay members from Britain and Ireland serving in Latin America. Simone is part of the Latin Link International Member Care Team.

C: SUTTON COLDFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH,
SUTTON COLDFIELD, ENGLAND



Joanna McCree is Short Term Coordinator, and heads up the selection, orientation, and support of Step teams and Striders, as well as developing the short-term programmes. She is happiest when camping or with a cup of tea in hand. Preferably both.

C: TBC

10th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Catharine Turton is the Supporter Care Coordinator, looking after all those who pray for or give to Latin Link and its members.

C: ST JAMES CHURCH, WOODLEY, READING, ENGLAND



Will Pitchfork is Communications Coordinator, responsible for producing our print and digital publications, including Latinfile, ePrayer and the monthly devotionals. He also oversees the Britain & Ireland website and social media accounts. When he's not working, you'll probably find him watching football or perfecting his chocolate chip cookie recipe.

C: TBC

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10th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Area Coordinators and Mobilisers represent Latin Link and promote the ministry amongst supporters, churches, university CUs, regional and national events and gatherings. They have a focus on inspiring people into mission, recruiting and advising candidates and taking part in interviewing and debriefing. They are passionate about mobilising others to pray, give, speak and represent Latin Link's ministry across Britain and Ireland.

Esther Stansfield is Head of Mobilisation and is passionate about inspiring the UK church to engage in global mission. She oversees and supports the Area Coordinators in church engagement, facilitating mission mobilising events and developing a national network of volunteers to inspire people to step into the story of God's big mission. She is married to Ben, mum to Zach and Josh and enjoys regular dips in the not-so-tropical sea in Devon.

C: RIVER CHURCH, AXMINSTER, DEVON,
ENGLAND



Jenny Stewart is Ireland Coordinator and oversees those sent from Ireland, organises mission mobilisation events, speaks at churches and gatherings, and supports a community of volunteers across the Island. She is married to Neil and they have 2 young children, Grace and Jonah. Jenny is currently on maternity leave.

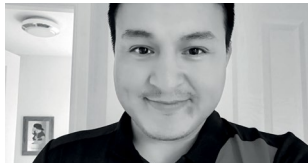
C: STORMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
STORMONT, NORTHERN IRELAND

11th Britain and Ireland • • • • •



Bethany Harper is Ireland Assistant Coordinator. She works alongside Jenny to meet with those interested in Step/Stride, and ensures members sent to or from Ireland are well supported. Bethany helps speak at churches, organises events to mobilise people for mission, and oversees writing the monthly prayer letters. Bethany would appreciate prayer for more speaking opportunities, and relationships to develop with more churches across the island of Ireland.

C: TBC



Mike Fernandez is Scotland Coordinator. Originally from Peru, Mike is based in Edinburgh and is part of the mobilisation team, facilitating, promoting, and passionately encouraging people to engage with multidirectional mission outreach between the UK & Latin America.

C: BRUNTSFIELD EVANGELICAL CHURCH,
EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND



Jenny Brown is the England and Wales Coordinator. Jenny is married to Roland, who works for a local charity, and they have four teenage children: Sam, Ben, Annalie and Katy.

C: THE GATHER COLLECTIVE, EASTBOURNE,
ENGLAND

11th Chile



Population	17.1 million
Currency	Peso
People	Hispanic 96%, Indigenous 3%, Other 1%
Main language	Spanish

Please pray with Latin Link Chile:

- Last year a national plebiscite was held to determine whether Chileans wanted a new constitution to be drafted. The outcome of the vote was positive and so a new plebiscite will be held sometime during 2022 to determine whether the newly written draft will be accepted to replace the current constitution.
- Please pray for peace in the south of Chile. Recently some radicalized Mapuche groups have committed violent acts due to land disputes. Please pray for wisdom for politicians as they address the longstanding demands of the Mapuche communities and that in turn these communities would choose dialogue over violence.
- During the pandemic the number of illegal immigrants entering the country, many from Venezuela and Haiti, has increased. They are very vulnerable, and some have faced racist attacks. Please pray for churches to know how best to respond to their needs and for wisdom for the government.



Benjamín and Ruth Curín, with Abigail and Matías, are based in Temuco, where Benja oversees teaching, evangelism and discipleship at *Iglesia Jesús El Camino* (Jesus the Way Church), a church plant for the Anglican Church in Chile. Ruth's focus is looking after the children and home, heading up the children's ministry for the church and walking alongside other women from the church. She is a member of the Southern Cone Team Executive.

C: NITON BAPTIST CHURCH, ISLE OF WIGHT, ENGLAND

12th Colombia



Population	50 million
Currency	Peso
People	Mestizo and White 84%, Afro-Colombian 10%, Indigenous 3%, Other 3%
Main language	Spanish

Please pray with Latin Link Colombia:

- Pray for peace in the countryside of Colombia as the numbers of murders have been rising in the last year because of fighting over the land controlled by drug-cartels and paramilitary organisations.
- Pray for wisdom in the government to make the right decisions to effectively manage the emergency situation due to the coronavirus outbreak.
- Pray for creativity and resources in every circle of society to overcome the economic crisis left by the pandemic.
- Pray for the high number of Venezuelan migrants living and travelling in Colombian territory looking for opportunities to have a better life, and for churches who can help them in the process.



Manuel Reaño and Patricia Cuellar de Reaño have been serving in Colombia since 1999. Patty is a family therapist and works with *Vínculo* (Link), a Christian Family Counselling Centre. Manuel works with Christ for the City and directs one of its ministries, called *Koinonos*, dedicated to providing pastoral care for pastors and Christian leaders and their families. He also travels as an itinerant church consultant, teacher, preacher and speaker.

C: BUCCLEUCH AND GREYFRIARS FREE
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, EDINBURGH,
SCOTLAND

12th Colombia



Carmen Gallego is the coordinator of short-term missions in her church *El Redil del Poblado* (The Village Fold) in Medellín. She is the Director of *Vínculo* (Link), a Christian Family Counselling Centre. At the moment, she leads CIFA – *Congreso Internacional de la Familia* (International Congress of the Family) which works for the protection of the family and the right of parents to raise their children. She is part of the International Member Care Team of Latin Link.

C: COMUNIDAD CRISTIANA EL REDIL DEL POBLADO, MEDELLÍN, COLOMBIA



Paola Innocente is based in Bogotá. She works in *Hogar Feliz* (Happy Home), a programme for strengthening families with Deaf and Deafblind children across Colombia. Hopefully after the Covid 'brake' she can continue to train deaf teachers to implement the material developed to empower them to teach sign language to those families. Together with the Coordinator of *Hogar Feliz*, she advises a group of parents who are forming a foundation for the holistic development of Deaf people.

C: FEG, WINTERTHUR, SWITZERLAND



Santi and Diana Benavides, with Majo and Santi Jr., are serving as a family with a church in Toronto, Canada, in partnership with Latin American Mission (LAM). They are involved in youth ministry and are developing a music ministry in English and Spanish with a Latin American flavour, to promote Kingdom values.

C: IGLESIA CRISTIANA CONFRATERNIDAD COLINA CAMPESTRE, BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA

13th Colombia • • • • •



Ian and Juliana Horne, with their teenage sons Andreas and Daniel, live in Bogotá, serving in outreach to Venezuelan migrants and other marginalised groups, with the Mennonite Church. Ian is also involved in initiatives that advance healthy nutrition and food security, whilst Juliana promotes creation care through church networks, locally and more widely.

C: GUILDFORD BAPTIST CHURCH, GUILDFORD, ENGLAND



Miriam Hernandez returns to Cuba in January to complete her second year of Stride by August. She works as a counsellor and teacher in a local church in central Cuba, focusing on youth and adults. One of her roles is teaching the course: *Healing the wounds of the heart*, in order to equip a group of missionaries as multipliers. Miriam is open to what God wants for the future, be it as a Stay member in Cuba or Guatemala. As Latin Link does not have a team in Cuba she relies on the support of the Latin Link Colombia team.

C: IGLESIA NAZARET CENTRAL, CIUDAD DE GUATEMALA, GUATEMALA
M: PAOLA INNOCENTE



Rachael Sirl will be serving in Bogotá at the *Fundación Buena Semilla* (Good Seed Foundation), a feeding programme located in the centre of the city which helps children and families to break the cycle of poverty through discipleship, school support for the children and training in different skills like carpentry and sewing for the adults. Rachael is hoping to commence her two-year Stride placement in April.

C: LIGHT AND LIFE CHURCH, HAYLE, CORNWALL, ENGLAND
M: TBC

Steph Petrou is hoping to start her Stride placement in Bogotá, working for a year with children with disabilities.

C: ST. BARNABAS FINCHLEY, LONDON, ENGLAND

13th Costa Rica



Population	5.0 million
Currency	Colón
People	Costa Rican 77%, Mestizo 9%, Other Latin American 8%, Other 6%
Main language	Spanish

Please pray with Latin Link Costa Rica:

- We pray for the unity of the Costa Rican evangelical church. Historically, we have been divided by doctrine, denominations and liturgy. Now there are also political matters, the pandemic, the vaccine...without real unity it will be difficult for missional impact.
- Pray against the drug trafficking and corruption that has grown enormously in this small country. Almost daily, the police are reported to have seized large quantities of drugs and we learn that there were murders to 'adjust accounts'. Nearly every week a new scandal of the mismanagement of state resources is uncovered. Some of our leaders (mayors, deputies, ministers, etc.) are on the wrong path.
- Pray that the evangelical church of Costa Rica will know what to do with the large number of migrants and refugees who are passing through our territory toward the United States of America. May we see this as a mission opportunity, to preach and demonstrate the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

14th Costa Rica • • • • •



William and Nadia Zapata Hirsig, with Jeremy and Kenya, work with the *Amistad Internacional* (Friendship International) Association in the *Centro Cristiano* (Christian Centre) Villa Los Guido in Desamparados, dedicated to discipleship and community development in this marginalised neighbourhood. William is the Centre Director, coordinating and monitoring the programmes. He is also the Latin Link Central America South **Team Leader**, a position he will hold until March. They will be on Sending Country Assignment during June and July.

C: EGW GRINDELWALD, SWITZERLAND



Ian and Brenda Darke live in San José. Ian supports the development of biblical and relevant Christian publishing in Latin America. He coordinates the *Letra Viva* network of Christian publishers in Latin America and works with the CBC (Latin America Bible Commentary), Ediciones PUMA and Certeza UNIDA. Brenda promotes the inclusion of people with disabilities through written materials, teaching at the ESEPA seminary, collaborating with the Viva network for at risk children, mentoring and through the *Uno en Cristo* (One in Christ) church-based support group for families.

C: THE TERRACE CHURCH, RUGBY, ENGLAND



Ray Miller is married to **Bridget Bennett**. They serve with ProMETA online university, equipping Latin American mission workers to serve in cross-cultural ministry with unreached people groups around the world. Ray is the Academic Coordinator of the Masters in Intercultural Studies programme and Bridget is Student Liaison Coordinator. Ray is a published author and has created study modules at undergraduate and Masters level. His latest book in Spanish is: *Proclaim Liberty - Jubilee and the politics of Jesus*. They are active members of the Nazareth Church. Bridget helps lead a weekly Spanish-speaking women's inductive Bible study group.

C: IVY CHURCH, MANCHESTER, ENGLAND;
BILTON EVANGELICAL CHURCH, RUGBY, ENGLAND

14th Costa Rica • • • • •



Kayla Chandler is the Short Term Coordinator for Costa Rica. She receives and encourages short term volunteers and promotes mission, while developing contacts with local churches/organisations to find mutually beneficial placements for Step teams and Striders. Additionally, she works in various low-income communities, serves in her local church, teaches English, and walks alongside others through informal counselling and mentorship.

C: CEDAR GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, VANCOUVER, CANADA

M: VIKKI DELOSSANTOS MAYA



Etienne and Jessica Freiburghaus with Timéa, Adriel and Joana, are doing a two-year Stride placement in *Projecto Sión* (Zion Project), located in Concepción de Tres Ríos, Cartago. They work with the local church in community involvement aimed at combining and providing humanitarian and spiritual help. One of their focuses is marriage and family counselling.

C: FEG CHURCH, MURTEN, SWITZERLAND

M: ALLAN RIVIERA AND KATTIA CASTRO



Lukas and Barbara Minder have finished their training as intercultural coaches. Together with Latin Link Switzerland they are in the process of finding the right project in Latin America. During this time of transition they will be working in different intercultural ministries in Switzerland and with Latin Link International. Lukas is part of the Central America South leadership team.

C: EVANGELICAL METHODIST CHURCH, WINDISCH, SWITZERLAND; MISIÓN EVANGÉLICA POPULARE CHURCH, LUGANO, SWITZERLAND

15th Ecuador



Population	17.5 million
Currency	US dollar
People	Mestizo 72%, African descent 7%, Montubio 7%, Indigenous 7%, Caucasian 6%, Others 1%
Main language	Spanish, Quechua, Guaran

Please pray with Latin Link Ecuador:

- Pray for a reactivation of the economy, which has been severely affected by the Covid-19 health emergency – many people have lost their jobs, and a sizeable proportion of the population are now trying to set up their own small-scale businesses.
- Pray for the children and young people in Ecuador, many of whom have lost up to two years of education due to the pandemic. Many have left school and are in a hopeless situation.
- Crime and drug abuse are increasing. We pray that the churches will be able to alleviate the increasing suffering and pressure.
- The prison system is in crisis, there are not enough guards and there is substantial overcrowding. Gangs are at war inside the prisons, which has led to hundreds of casualties in the past year.

15th Ecuador



Katy Griggs is the Latin Link Ecuador **Team Leader**, based in Santo Domingo de los Tsáchilas. Katy is involved with two local projects: Orphaid, where she supports children and teenagers living in the children's home; and *Vida en Abundancia* (Life in Abundance), which runs a project for children and young people with learning disabilities and supports women in or at risk of abuse.

C: MERTON PARK BAPTIST CHURCH, LONDON, ENGLAND



Jaap and Linda Bezemer with Corne, Helen, Arianne, Jacoline, Richard and Erik, live in the Kichwa community of Sacha Runa on the outskirts of Shell. Jaap works as an International Health and Tropical Medicine specialist with *Fundación Misión Cristiana de Salud* (Christian Mission Health Foundation). Currently, he is researching the parasite leishmania, which is particularly prevalent in the jungle. Jaap and Linda are both involved in the church *Diospa Nanpi*. Jaap is one of the leaders and preaches weekly. Linda leads the youth group and teaches in the Sunday School. The family travels regularly to jungle communities to provide healthcare and strengthen the local churches.

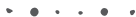
C: GEREFORMEERDE GEMEENTE RILLAND-BATH, NETHERLANDS



Stewart and Anna Claire Cusick are working in Shell at the day hospital run by the charity *Fundación Misión Cristiana de Salud* (Christian Mission Health Foundation) as part of their Stride placement. Anna Claire is attending patients as a doctor, and Stewart is part of the technical team responsible for maintaining the hospital building and equipment.

C: GLENABBEY CHURCH, GLENGORMLEY, NORTHERN IRELAND
M: JAAP AND LINDA BEZEMER

16th Ecuador



Abby Murphy is based in Santo Domingo, supporting the *Vida en Abundancia* (Life in Abundance) project for children and young people with learning disabilities, and various activities at the First Baptist Church. She is also taking on the role of Short Term Coordinator for the Latin Link Ecuador team.

C: CHRISTCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH, WELWYN GARDEN CITY, ENGLAND; ST THOMAS' CHURCH, CROOKES, SHEFFIELD, ENGLAND
M: KATY GRIGGS



Caity Mathews will be based near Tena in the Oriente (eastern jungle region), where she will be working alongside Hanna Eriksson, a Finnish missionary, with children and young people in an indigenous community, for 6 months from January.

C: JESMOND PARISH CHURCH, NEWCASTLE, ENGLAND
M: TBC

16th Guatemala



Population	18.3 million
Currency	Quetzal
People	Mixed Race 56%, Mayan 42%, Other indigenous 2%
Main language	Spanish, Mayan and other indigenous languages

Please pray with Latin Link Guatemala:

- That local Guatemalan churches would recognise their responsibility and calling to share a holistic gospel with those in their own communities, and that they may find new, creative ways to do so.
- For unity, reconciliation, and forgiveness between the different political, ethnic and religious groups, and for justice and equal access to services for those most at risk.
- For God's protection over the Guatemala team members, as they live, work and travel in a country with a high incidence of violence and for their health and wellbeing during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- That God would raise up many more Guatemalans to serve cross-culturally within Guatemala, as well as in other countries, and that churches would be willing to support them long term.

17th Guatemala • • • • •



Rodolfo Rodas, with daughters Ruth María and Anaeli, continues to serve training pastors in Guatemala City. He also directs the *Educando para la Vida* (Education for Life) Association, working with children, young people and families at risk in Zaragoza and Chimaltenango. He serves as coordinator of the Lausanne Committee in Guatemala and is presiding over the creation of the Institute for Mission in Guatemala. Rodolfo will conclude his service on the Latin Link International Forum at the International Assembly. Ruth María is continuing her postgraduate studies in the UK. Anaeli works with International Justice Mission.

C: IGLESIA EVANGELICA CRISTIANA CENTRO AMERICANA CAMINO DE VIDA, GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA



Kate Moreno serves as a social worker at Kids Alive's Oasis ministry, for girls who have suffered sexual violence. She promotes best practice by developing policies and procedures with a goal to transform the care provided in children's homes across Guatemala and promote family care models. She is also the **Team Leader** of the Guatemala-Mexico team. **Jacobo Moreno** has been accepted on the Stay programme and continues to serve at Galilea church in San Lucas Sacatepéquez with young adults' discipleship, worship and as an engineer on church building projects.

C: SOUL SURVIVOR, WATFORD, ENGLAND



Geoff Baines is married to **Cesia Pascual**. They live in Guatemala City with their baby (due December 2021). Geoff continues to serve in the Central American Theological Seminary, teaching biblical studies and integral mission to pastors and young people from a variety of church backgrounds. Cesia serves in her Stride placement in various counselling ministries, including a prison ministry Connected Hearts, while she finishes her masters in Christian Counselling.

C: LANGLEY FREE BAPTIST CHURCH, LANGLEY, ENGLAND; ST. ANDREW'S & ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SHOE BURYNESS, ENGLAND
M (Cesia): TBC

18th Guatemala • • • • •



Rose Wade continues to serve at AMI San Lucas, an NGO focusing on integral health and community development in indigenous towns and villages around Lake Atitlán, with her focus being on their work with young people as well as supporting the youth ministry in her local church. She will be on Sending Country Assignment from early 2022.

C: FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SAINTFIELD,
NORTHERN IRELAND



Maddie Buchanan is the Short Term Coordinator for the team in Guatemala. She is responsible for the receiving of all Step and Stride members, both from within Guatemala itself and overseas. This includes organising their placements and supporting them whilst they are in country with orientation, evaluations and mentoring. She also teaches at a school for children of foreign mission workers once a week. She will be on Sending Country Assignment from May.

C: ST MATTHEW'S AND ST LUKE'S CHURCHES,
OXFORD, ENGLAND



Murielle Beer began her two-year Stride placement at the beginning of September 2021. She is serving with the ministry *Esperanza de Vida* (Hope of Life) Association, which provides primary education for children and support for their families in the community of Alotenango, where there is a high risk of children not continuing in education.

C: NEUES LAND KIRCHE, SCHWARZENBURG,
SWITZERLAND
M: EMMY ORTIZ

18th Mexico



Population	126.7 million
Currency	Peso
People	Mestizo 80%, Indigenous/Tribal 18%, Other 2%
Main language	Spanish and 68 Indigenous languages

Please pray with Latin Link Mexico:

- God is answering our and your prayers for an increasing awareness of the calling of the Church to mission. Please continue to pray for this need and for an attitude among Christians to want to grow and flourish in good fruit for God's mission.
- For students and teachers - for renewed strength, peace and discipline to continue to learn and teach in creative ways that reach everyone, especially those in rural areas of the country.
- For justice for the many experiencing financial crisis, political dissatisfaction and violence.
- For practical programmes from the government and from NGOs to help people affected by job losses and lack of education due to the pandemic and illness.
- For Christian families and couples that have been affected emotionally and are struggling to live in love and grace.
- That Christians will live in accordance with the ethics of the kingdom of God, having a balanced life in order to face all the new challenges.
- For more people to join the team in Mexico: both national and overseas workers.

19th Mexico



Joel Gonzalez and Mayra Gomez de Gonzalez, with son Joel Fernando, live in Puebla. Last October they started in person meetings in their garage for their new church plant. Joel Fernando helps with the IT in the meetings. During 2022 they'll focus on the church plant, and Bible studies for new believers. They'll also continue to be involved with Vanguardia Bible Institute and in offering training to other Christian leaders to create new house groups and to make disciples among new Christians.

C: PARTICK TRINITY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,
GLASGOW, SCOTLAND; RIVERSIDE
EVANGELICAL CHURCH, AYR, SCOTLAND



Bhoke Magotti will spend six months on a Stride placement in Puebla, Mexico, starting from February. She will be working at the *Casa del Sol* (House of the Sun) children's home and will also help with the youth ministry at a local church.

C: GLORY OF GOD MINISTRIES, READING,
ENGLAND
M: MAYRA GOMEZ DE GONZALEZ

20th Netherlands



Population	17.5 million
Currency	Euro
People	Dutch 75.4%
	Immigrants:
	• Western background 10.6%
	• Non-western background 14%
Main language	Dutch

Please pray with Latin Link Netherlands:

- For implementation of the fivefold ministry in our organization (based on Ephesians 4). We are thankful that God has provided new recruits to get this started. At the same time, we are not complete yet. Please pray that God will bring the right people to complete our team.
- For more visibility and added value of Latin Link Netherlands among:
 - * Latin Americans in the Netherlands.
 - * Dutch people with Latin American roots.
- For places and projects in the Netherlands to receive Latin American mission workers.
- For developing and organizing Step trips that:
 - * will make a constructive difference in the recipient country.
 - * will enthuse the participants to step into the mission.
- That we may have more impact in the churches in the Netherlands as we carry out mission.

20th Netherlands



William and Inge Weggeman, with Thijmen, Veerle and Marijn, would appreciate prayer for guidance, perseverance and wisdom. William and Inge represent Latin Link Netherlands together, supported by various people. William is the **Team Leader**. He heads up the Dutch team, visits members and projects in Latin America, and meets with potential candidates. Inge has a role in the candidate interviews and member care, in addition to her job as a HR advisor.

C: NGK 'KERK VAN HOOP', HARDINXVELD,
NETHERLANDS



William and Yesenia de Vos-Arratea, with Faith and Zoey, are from the Netherlands and Peru respectively. William is an ICT specialist by profession and is using his skills for Latin Link Netherlands as well. His wife, Yesenia works from home as a childminder and does translation work for the team. She translates between Spanish, English and Dutch. Yesenia also supports Latin Link Netherlands at its events.

C: KERK VAN DE NAZARENER, DORDRECHT,
NETHERLANDS



Eline Mulder is the Financial Assistant. She is responsible for financial administration, sending out monthly financial reports for our members, and paying invoices and expense claims. Eline is married to Leander and is mother to Oscar, Carmen and Isabel. As a couple, Eline and Leander are part of the leadership team of their church.

C: NGK 'KERK VAN HOOP', HARDINXVELD,
NETHERLANDS

21st Netherlands • • • • •



Eveline de Roover is our communications officer. She is responsible for our internal and external communications, such as *Noticias* (News), the newsletter for our volunteers and members, our general newsletter and our social media presence. She also keeps in touch with churches and other organisations who support our work or may want to. Besides this she works in the retail sector.

C: GKV 'DE BRON', HARDINXVELD,
NETHERLANDS



Annerieke Visscher is one of the new faces in our team. Annerieke will continue to set up our Step programme. She will start by organising a Step team to Peru, the country where she grew up as a missionary child. In addition, Annerieke will use her multilingualism and experience with Latin America in other areas of our team.

C: GEREFORMEERDE GEMEENTE, WOERDEN,
NETHERLANDS

Board of Trustees:

Ewout van Meeuwen (Treasurer)

21st Nicaragua



Population	6.3 million
Currency	Córdoba
People	Latino-Mestizo 68%, Hispanic 17%, Indigenous/Tribal 6%, Other 9%
Main language	Spanish

Please pray with Latin Link Nicaragua:

- That the kingdom of God be established in Nicaragua in all aspects of society. May everyone recognise that Jesus is the only true God and come to a genuine repentance.
- That every Nicaraguan will seek, find, and love God with all their heart.
- For an increase of the holy fear of God in government leadership, so that the established laws align with the word of God. For the Nicaraguan media to stop promoting messages or programmes that go against Christian values and encourage alcohol and drug addiction and immorality. For the protection of the Nicaraguan people.
- That God's children may live out their true identity in Christ with courage, standing firm in deep trust and dependence on God, living lives that reflect that.



Lotti Rindlisbacher lives and works in León. She is supporting the Faith Moves Mountains ministry in intercession and biblical teaching; this ministry has several churches under its umbrella. She particularly likes to be in touch with the intercessors daily and to accompany them in their continued training so that they can develop and grow their own intercession groups.

C: STIFTUNG SCHLEIFE, WINTERTHUR,
SWITZERLAND

22nd Peru

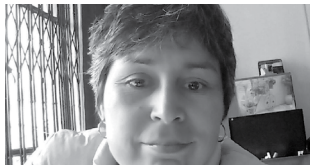


Population	32 million
Currency	Sol
People	Indigenous 40%, Mestizo 38%, European 18%, African and Asian 4%,
Main language	Spanish, Quechua

Please pray with Latin Link Peru:

- For all those dealing with the different challenges of the pandemic. Many have lost loved ones and many have lost jobs. Children haven't been able to go to school for a long time (classes have been online during 2020 and 2021) and lots of people's physical and emotional health has been badly affected.
- For the new President, Pedro Castillo, and his government. For political and economic stability. Please pray for greater unity in the government and for good and creative ideas to lead the country out of the crisis.
- For a united and compassionate Church, that knows how to help and how to comfort. And for Christian leaders with integrity in all areas.

23rd Peru • • • • •



Angela Durand de Silva coordinates the work of the Latin Link Peru (LLP) office, including visa requirements and providing support for the LLP Leadership Team and the LLP legal association alongside its President, Kerstin Abbas. At her church, she and her husband continue to serve in the counselling ministry.

C: IGLESIA ALIANZA CRISTIANA Y MISIONERA DE EL AGUSTINO, LIMA, PERU



Kerstin Abbas is working in Lima alongside the *Altísima Fortaleza* (High Fortress) Association, which works with children, teenagers and young adults on the streets, and with people at high social risk and with addictions, as well as with families, vulnerable people and in networks. She is currently President of the Latin Link Peru Association. She will be on Sending Country Assignment at some point during 2022.

C: EV. KIRCHENGEMEINDE WERMELSKIRCHEN, GERMANY



Eduardo and Margo Huamán are working in Lima, supporting families as they deal with the effects of the pandemic. They are also helping different groups in the areas of evangelism and discipleship through different Bible Courses and encouraging them in their spiritual growth. Margo also works in the women's prison. They will be on Sending Country Assignment from April/May.

C: WINDSOR BAPTIST CHURCH, BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND

23rd Peru • • • • •



Sharon Jones coordinates the *Buena Tierra* (Good Soil) ministry. She is involved in creating and publishing biblical teaching materials for children and teenagers. *Buena Tierra* also has a variety of training courses for those involved in children's ministry, which Sharon and a team of Peruvians deliver.

C: E1 COMMUNITY CHURCH, SHADWELL, LONDON, ENGLAND; GREAT ASHBY COMMUNITY CHURCH, STEVENAGE, ENGLAND; LADYGROVE CHURCH, DIDCOT, ENGLAND; TOXTETH TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH, LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND



Paul and Ruth Turner are based in Lima. Paul is involved in developing Christian leaders in Peru through training and mentoring. He works closely with the leaderships of the International School in Arequipa and the *Turmanyé* (Rainbow) project in Huaraz. Ruth serves on the International Core Team where she coordinates the area of member care. She also works alongside churches and mission agencies in Peru to develop member care resources and training for mission workers sent from Peru.

C: CHRISTCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH, WELWYN GARDEN CITY, ENGLAND; RASHARKIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BALLYMENA, NORTHERN IRELAND



Hannah Wilkinson lives in Lima and is the Short Term Coordinator for Peru, finding placements for, orientating, and supporting Striders and Step teams. She is involved in the sending of Peruvians who want to serve with Latin Link. She will be on Sending Country Assignment until March.

C: ST PAUL'S AND ST GEORGE'S CHURCH, EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

24th Peru



Carolin Klett continues her two-year Stride placement in Lima. Working alongside *Altísima Fortaleza* (High Fortress) Association, she is working primarily with children and teenagers on the streets and those at high social risk and with addictions, as well as with families. She goes out with the street team. Carolin is also providing counselling and socio-educational workshops.

C: EVANGELISCHE GEMEINDE SILBERBURG,
REUTLINGEN
M: SHARON JONES



Maria Huamanchumo is responsible for Mission Mobilisation and supports the sending of Peruvians with Latin Link. This involves accompanying and supporting Peruvians wishing to serve cross-culturally within Peru or elsewhere, being involved in mission networks and supporting local churches in their missions' involvement. She is doing her Stride placement part time, alongside her work in HR.

C: IGLESIA ALIANZA CRISTIANA Y MISIONERA
DE MIRAFLORES, LIMA, PERU
M: RUTH TURNER



Mirjam and Jürg Hofer are back in Trujillo after an extended period in Switzerland. They support the work of *Corazones Unidos* (United Hearts), a Christian organisation that works for the inclusion of people with disabilities. They are also involved in different ministries in their local church. Mirjam is the Peru **Team Leader**.

C: EGW, SCHÖNBÜHL, SWITZERLAND; KIRCHE
SPALEN (ETG), BASEL, SWITZERLAND



Henry Charca is the Latin Link representative at the International School in Arequipa. He leads Bible studies for the school senior management team. He supervises and supports Christian ministries within the school, represents the school in the city, leads development of new projects for the school, and works closely with the school's head teacher. Henry is a member of the Peru Leadership Team.

C: ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, AREQUIPA, PERU



Ruth McKee works in the Shalom Centre - part of the International School in Arequipa which helps children with additional needs and their families. She provides physiotherapy for the children and young adults and has the opportunity to share with them and their families about God.

C: RANDALSTOWN OLD CONGREGATION
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, RANDALSTOWN,
NORTHERN IRELAND



Jerson and Rahel Guimas, with Sophie and Asser, work at the International School in Arequipa. They are part of the Christian Outreach team of the school, leading Bible studies, devotionals and other activities to help the spiritual growth of the students, parents and teaching staff. They also help in the Shalom Centre at the school, for children with additional needs.

C: CHRISCHONA GEMEINDE, MARTHALEN,
SWITZERLAND

25th Peru



Efraín and Livia Lara (née Forrer) with Nathanael, will be on Sending Country Assignment from March to September. Upon returning to Peru, they will move to Arequipa, where Efraín will be serving as a Strider in church ministry with vulnerable people and Livia will be involved with children's ministry.

C: EFG ESSEN ALTENDORF, GERMANY;
EVANGELIKALE GEMEINDE, ZELTWEG, AUSTRIA
M (Efraín): TBC



Eli Stunt is the President of the *Turmanyé* (Rainbow) project based in Huaraz. Eli is also the director of their children's home for abandoned children. The *Turmanyé* team works with children and teenagers in vulnerable situations, networking with local authorities. They provide educational and family support in rural areas. Eli is also involved in Bible teaching and counselling. She will be on Sending Country Assignment from March to June.

C: ALUCHE BRETHREN ASSEMBLY, MADRID,
SPAIN



Mayte Lanero works with the *Turmanyé* (Rainbow) project in Huaraz as a Social Educator, both at the children's home and in a network for the protection of children and teenagers at risk, aiming to improve their whole situation, including their reintegration into a healthy family. In the midst of this work, the team looks for opportunities to share the gospel. Mayte will be on Sending Country Assignment until January.

C: IGLESIA EVANGÉLICA BAPTISTA DE GRACIA,
BARCELONA, SPAIN

25th Peru • • • • •



Sarah Clay is an active member of the *Turmanyé* (Rainbow) project and her local Christian and Missionary Alliance church in Huaraz. She is a member of the Latin Link Peru legal association. She mainly works discipling in group and one-to-one Bible studies, with a desire to see God's love change lives.

C: PRETTYGATE BAPTIST CHURCH,
COLCHESTER, ENGLAND



Dave and Kay Stoker, with Joshua and Emily, normally work from Cusco. However, due to the pandemic school closures in Peru, they are currently working remotely from the UK. They expect to return to Peru in July 2022. Dave's focus is on helping Christian believers to grow in their relationship with God through practical spiritual formation. Kay heads up a team of Christian volunteers who work with bereaved families. Kay's special focus is on working with children and teenagers.

C: ST JOHN'S CHURCH, KENILWORTH,
ENGLAND

26th Spain



Population	47.5 million
Currency	Euro
People	Spanish 88.6%, Immigrants 11.4%
Main language	Spanish, Catalán, Galician, Basque

Please pray with Latin Link Spain:

- For the testimony of the evangelical church and the inclusion of the many Latin American Christians who reside in Spain.
- For greater mission mobilisation within today's multicultural Spain and overseas.
- Employment prospects in Spain have been very limited for a long time, especially for young people, with short-term contracts and relatively low minimum salaries.
- For the ongoing political situation with a social coalition government in place and for understanding amongst politicians to seek ways to deal with the long-term challenges in Catalonia.

27th Spain • • • • •



Jesús Espinola and María Jesús Hernández de Espinola, with Laura, live in Madrid. Their eldest daughter, Elisa, is currently continuing her high school studies in Tanzania on an exchange programme. They work with their local church, mobilising for mission. They have taken on some responsibilities for setting up the Latin Link Spain office for sending and receiving members.

C: IGLESIA NUEVA VIDA, SANTANDER, SPAIN



Jill Spink coordinates the work of *Cascadas* (Waterfalls) in the Madrid mountains. *Cascadas* is a study retreat centre, focused on hospitality, care for creation, and biblical reflection on how the gospel relates to all areas of life (especially issues of social justice and culture), all in the context of a small community.

C: HOPE CHURCH, GREATHAM, HAMPSHIRE, ENGLAND



Douglas and María Augusta Cowan work with media and local church ministries currently based close to Alicante. Douglas is also Spain **Team Leader**.

C: FINDLAY CHURCH, GLASGOW, SCOTLAND;
HILLVIEW, GLOUCESTER, ENGLAND

28th Spain • • • • •



Sayda Ortiz is preparing to serve with *Paseo de la Estación* (Station Passage) Church in Salamanca, during 2022. As part of the church team, she'll be involved in a church planting project, reaching children, young people and students.

C: IGLESIA EVANGELICA CENTRO AMERICANA
DIOS ES AMOR, LA FLORIDA, GUATEMALA
M: TBC



Elvira Lezameta is preparing to serve with *Paseo de la Estación* (Station Passage) Church in Salamanca, during 2022. As part of the church team, she'll be involved in a church planting project, discipling women, practising hospitality and community outreach.

C: IGLESIA ALIANZA CRISTIANA Y MISIONERA
DE MIRAFLORES, LIMA, PERU
M: TBC



Ramiro Mejia lives in Aguadulce-Almería, where he serves in his local church: *Ministerio Casa de Oración* (House of Prayer Ministry). He coordinates the church's discipleship programme, trains leaders and leads bible-studies.

C: IGLESIA CRISTIANA CONFRATERNIDAD DE
UNICENTRO, BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA

29th Switzerland



Population	8.4 million
Currency	Franc
People	Swiss 75%, Immigrants 25% of which: Italian 15%, German 14%, Portuguese 12% Balkan 11%, French 6% Spanish 4%, Others 38%
Main language	German, French, Italian, Romansh

Please pray with Latin Link Switzerland:

- For wisdom and creativity in how to reach the millennial generation and encourage them to go on short-term mission trips.
- For wisdom for the board of trustees as they give strategic direction.
- For the French-speaking part of Switzerland, and for growth in the work of Latin Link in this region.

30th Switzerland • • • • •



Thomas and Manuela Weber, with Timo, Elina and Leana, are based in Winterthur. As **Team Leader**, Thomas is responsible for development; he heads up the office team in Winterthur, and is Head of People Resources. He is also part of the International Core Team. **Manuela** is responsible for the care of Striders and for debriefing returned short-termers. She is also involved in the process of selecting mission candidates and preparing them for Latin America.

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Uta Widmer is responsible for the care of Swiss-sent Stay members. She invests time in looking after and maintaining good communication with members' sending churches, supporters and family members. She is also part of the International Member Care Team of Latin Link.

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Silvia Diether is involved in the process of selecting Striders and coordinates the organisation of their projects.

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31st Switzerland • • • • •



Zoé Bailat works in the French-speaking part of Switzerland and is involved in the process of selecting Striders. She represents Latin Link in several events taking place in the western part of Switzerland. Zoé is also developing a team that engages in the area of public relations.

C: EEP24- ÉGLISE PROVENCE 24, LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND



José and Regula Fuentes, with Samuel, Elian and Noemi, live near Aarau. José's passion is working in intercultural projects. He's currently being trained as a nurse. During this time, he is supported by and connected to Latin Link Switzerland and is involved in several of our events.

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International Team



Suzanne Potter will take over from **Paul** Turner as International Team Leader during the virtual International Assembly in February.

Pray for Paul as he stays in the Peru team and works alongside others to strengthen and develop Peruvian Christian leaders.

Pray for Suzanne as she leads Latin Link from her base in Guatemala. She starts the role with a vision to expand our listening processes with Latin American leaders, to reassess our structures and initiate change, as we adapt to the realities of cross-cultural missions in a post-Covid world. She seeks to facilitate the connections between members across the community of Latin Link and beyond, and is excited about expanding our communications and mobilisation work from Latin America. She plans to develop our life in community in each country team through cultural celebrations, ministry evaluations, training, leadership development and involvement of local volunteers.

The **International Core Team**, which will be confirmed at the International Assembly, will work with Suzanne in shaping the direction of Latin Link as a whole and supporting country teams in their development. Please pray for creativity for Suzanne and the Core team as they begin their work together.

The **International Forum** is a group of experienced Latin Link members who are responsible for approval of new teams and any changes to the International Handbook between International Assemblies. They oversee the work of the International Team Leader and International Core team. A new Forum will be elected at the International Assembly in February.

Step – Short-term teams

Step is our short-term programme for teams of all ages, providing a supported, hands-on introduction to serving God in another country and culture.

Steppers live and work alongside a local church, often helping with a project and joining them in reaching out to their community.

This year we plan to send the following teams:

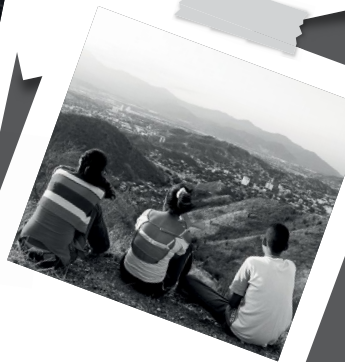
SPRING (four months May – August)

A Step team from Britain and Ireland is heading to Ecuador; final details of their project are yet to be confirmed.

SUMMER (July and August)

Two summer Step teams are planned from Britain and Ireland, details to follow.

There are plans for a Step team from The Netherlands to Peru, more details weren't available at the time of going to print.



Step into the Story

After an immensely challenging few years for the world, for Latin America, and for global mission, we find ourselves encouraged and uplifted by the stories of hope that God is writing through his church. As Latin Link's international community, our challenge remains one of stepping into this story, playing our part in God's mission in and from Latin America. We're grateful for our incredible members and supporters who facilitate this international ministry through their faithful praying, fundraising, giving, mobilising, and going. As we step forward into a new year, we'd love to remind you of some of the ways you can step into the story too.



YOU CAN PRAY

Latin Link's ministry is fuelled by prayer. So with your prayer calendar in hand, we encourage you to pray for the members, the work they're doing, and the countries they're serving in. If you enjoy praying in community, we have groups up and down the UK that dedicate time to praying for Latin Link together. Get in touch to find out if there's one near you – and if not, you could always consider starting one yourself.





YOU CAN FUNDRAISE

Fundraising is an amazing way to practically support our work and to show your church community that Latin Link is something worth supporting. It's also a chance for you to get your creative hat on... You could try bike rides, skydives, cake sales, quiz nights, salsa evenings; whatever sparks your interest. However you choose to do it, we'll lend a hand by supplying leaflets, t-shirts and other resources.



YOU CAN GIVE

As a charity, our work is fully dependent on the financial generosity of supporters, so one of the simplest ways to support global mission is by giving. You can choose to support a specific member or project, or make a general donation that we'll use where it's most needed. Whether it's a one-off gift or a monthly standing order, your generosity will enable our international ministry to reach more communities with the good news of Jesus.



YOU CAN GO

And of course, we wouldn't be a mission agency without the many faces scattered throughout this calendar. If you think God might be nudging you to consider mission in Latin America or Europe, we'd love to facilitate this and explore your calling together. Whether it's joining a short-term team (Step), carrying out a 6-24 month placement (Stride), or even going with a view to longer-term mission (Stay), there are many unique opportunities to consider



BECOME A STORY-SHARER

If you've been on mission, could you share your story? So many of us have stories about our unique mission experiences and adventures. How did a short-term mission trip impact your life? What's it like to serve on a Stride placement abroad? How have you seen God's hope being shared during your time serving in Latin America? We're currently growing a team of 'story-sharers' across Britain and Ireland who can share their unique experiences of their time on mission as well as the stories of mission workers in Latin America to inspire local communities about global mission. If that sounds like something you want to be a part of - whether it's sharing a story on social media, writing an article for our website, or telling your testimony at church - we'd love to hear from you.



BECOME A MOBILISER

We are building a network of mobilisers across Britain and Ireland who will create opportunities to inspire others to step into God's big mission in the world. That could mean representing Latin Link by speaking or having a stand at churches or gatherings, organising a mission event, starting a prayer group, creating fundraising opportunities, or promoting our youth and children's resource. We hold termly online training events to connect you with other mobilisers and share ideas. If you're interested in learning more and getting involved, please do get in touch - we would love to hear from you!

To join the volunteer network, either as a story-sharer or a mobiliser, or to learn a bit more about what's involved, chat to Jenny Brown (part of the Latin Link

Mobilisation Team) by emailing
✉ jennyb@latinlink.org.uk.

How might God be calling you to Step into the Story in 2022? For more information on all of these ideas, please visit latinlink.org.uk/step-into-the-story.



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**“Look to the Lord
and his strength;
seek his face always.
1 Chronicles 16:11”**

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Latin Link aims to see **vibrant, Bible-believing Christian communities** in every part of Latin America, impacting their neighbours, their societies and the wider world.



We work in partnership with churches to send and receive individuals, families and teams to or from Latin American communities, to share the love of God.

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