



FUNDACIÓN TOTAÍ UPDATE

April – June 2023

Dr. Lorena Chávez Vaca – otolaryngologist (ENT), came back from Buenos Aires – Argentina, and she returned to work with us at the health centre. She will be working with the healthcare team for the next 4 months. We are grateful to her for making Fundación Totaí her work home. We thank God for her return, since it allows us to expand capacity, to provide more services to the community, and to perform more surgeries that we previously could not fit in.



We want to thank Lic. Andrea Callisaya, our Speech Therapist, for providing informative talks to the teachers at "La Palmera" school, in our city. She spoke about speech problems in children and adolescents in the school, and the teachers were very appreciative of the information and training

On the 20th May, the new board of directors of Fundación Totaí was sworn in for 2023-2025:

- Dr. Miguel Arauz – President**
- Dr. Pitias Suarez - Vice President**
- Porfidia Prado - Treasurer**
- Elizabeth Vaca – Secretary**
- Iracema Barboza – Member**

We wish them success and blessings as they work together for the benefit of Fundación Totaí.



To celebrate Bolivian Children's Day (12th April), we entertained the children in our community class with a fun afternoon full of games, contests and a delicious snack. We thank God for all the children who attend our foundation, and for the opportunity to fill their lives with joy, and to be a support to them, not only with schoolwork and recreational activities, but also in terms of family support.



Tim, James, Jakob, Izzy, Nathalie, Katherine and Rossie came from the UK on a Latin Link team to Trinidad, and we were delighted to host them! They were here for over 2 months, helping with El Jireh Church, the health centre, community projects and other activities organized by the coordinators. We are grateful to God for this time that they shared with us, serving God in the local community.



The women in our community craft group prepared their handicrafts to exhibit and sell at a local fair that was held in the main square of our city. This allowed them to make some money to take home to their families. We are very happy to be able to contribute to the development of their creativity and skills, and that they can also generate some economic resources.

COMMUNITY



Our community class teacher, Carla Camader, and her assistant, Claudia Araúz, ran a very productive afternoon, where they taught the older girls from the community classes how to make delicious cheese empanadas. The girls were very keen to learn how to make these tasty snacks. The objective of this activity was to equip and encourage the girls to help their mums with cooking, and it also served as a means of generating resources by selling what they had made.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Give thanks for the Latin Link team from the United Kingdom, who were such a support and encouragement to us. Pray that they will have a safe trip home and that God will have worked in their lives as they served Him here in Trinidad,
- Give thanks for the 5-day Holiday Club that took place during the first week of July, with the support of the team.
- Pray for the new Bolivian FT board, that God will guide them as they lead and make decisions.