

## Areas of accompaniment

### *In the indigenous context:*

- distribution of the Bible and its message in the Toba, Pilagá and Mocoví languages
- Biblical training
- Coordinating the Toba and Pilagá teams translating and recording the Scriptures
- Valuing the indigenous languages and studying them
- Resource and counsel pastoral leaders
- advocacy for a self-governing church of the indigenous peoples
- publication of the bulletin Qad'aqtaxanaxanec (Nuestro Mensajero), since 1955, distributing it to more than 250 indigenous congregations in the chaco area
- counseling and help for recuperation of indigenous lands
- visitation of aboriginal peoples in hospitals, jails, and homes
- compile indigenous testimonies and oral histories
- pastoral visits in churches

### *in the non-indigenous context:*

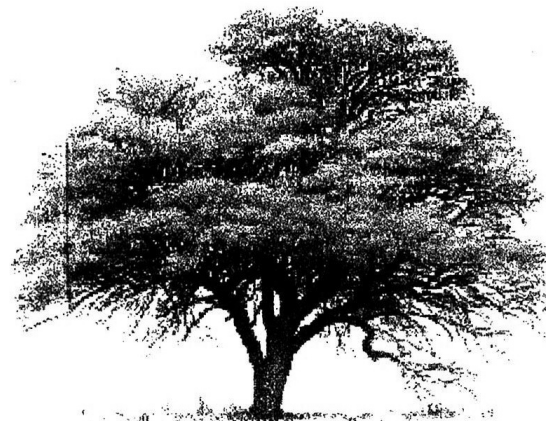
- promotion of a vision of integral and interdenominational evangelization through visits, presentations and literature—in part in cooperation with the Interconfessional Meeting of Missionaries.
- sharing the ways God is working amongst the indigenous churches

## Our Vision

The Mennonite Team in the Argentine Chaco is a fellowship of followers of Jesus called to the ministry of fraternal accompaniment, serving among the Toba, Mocoví and Pilagá peoples of Chaco and Formosa provinces of northern Argentina.

We are ambassadors of Jesus Christ, present as guests and witnesses to the work of God, enlivened by the hope of a New Humanity.

In the power of the Holy Spirit we commit ourselves to pursue together with the Chaco Native communities a life of wholeness, respecting the sacred spaces of life in indigenous cultures, encouraging appropriate autonomy, and giving priority to the dialogue between the Word of God and daily life.



THE MENNONITE TEAM IN THE ARGENTINE CHACO

Since 1943, an  
*alternative*  
missionary presence in  
northern Argentina

# Who are we?

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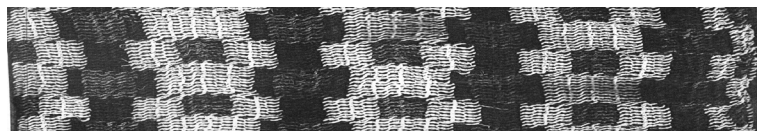
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Visits and biblical and bilingual teaching in indigenous churches,

Coordination of the readers of the translation of the Toba Bible,

Accompaniment of Tobas in detention.



## **The Mennonite Team in the Argentine Chaco**

is an interdenominational missionary presence sponsored by the protestant Mennonite churches which does not aim to found Mennonite churches nor create dependency on outside resources. Its action is guided by the gospel principles of service and fellowship in line with its gifts.

The members of the Mennonite Team, citizens of various countries, are called “fraternal workers.”

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Visits to Toba churches

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Visitation of the indigenous sick,

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Church visitation.

