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CrossLink Missionaries
New Life Bible Church in Yakima, WA

Looking back at 2020, we have many things to celebrate and to give God praise, including quickly transitioning to a digital ministry during the pandemic. Our statistics show an average weekly reach of 400 to 500 people watching our church service online.

While our church building was closed, we were able to remodel the interior of the building and another church helped us replace the roof – which was a major need.

The Lord has kept our family healthy during this time, and Vasti was able to finish high school in the USA and will finish her Associate’s Degree soon.

Finally, the Lord has miraculously provided everything necessary to begin our permanent residency process in January 2021.

Looking forward to 2021, we know God answers big and little prayers. Pray with us for wisdom and direction for the plans and projects at New Life Bible, including how to improve media ministry with the ongoing pandemic.



Photo: Misael & Taira with children Dan and Vasti

Pray with us that the Lord will raise up people who are mature in faith, capable of teaching and bearing responsibilities, and may the Lord continue to take care of our church and family.

Pray with us that the Lord will provide grace during the residency process and approve our whole family in one step. We hope this will happen before Vasti turns 21 so that she can continue her college studies at Central WA University.

Pray with us as we resume Bible Study in Ellensburg in January. With the pandemic, we have stopped and started so many times, but by God's grace we will start again at the Calvary facility in downtown Ellensburg.

“It has been such a joy to begin this relationship with Pastor Misael and see what God does here in Ellensburg to spread the Gospel through our Hispanic brothers and sisters to reach the Hispanic community.” – Stephen Branine

From page 1, here are Pastor Stephen’s responses to several of those questions:

Why is it important to partner with Hispanic churches in your community?

Jesus commissions his disciples to go and make disciples of all nations, in Revelation we read that people from every tribe and nation and language are present to worship the Lamb that was slain, and as those created in the image of God we desire to see every person created in the image of God come to know their Creator and Redeemer and dwell with Him for all eternity. It is the Gospel message of the good news that Jesus Christ has come to redeem sinners that motivates us to go to everyone with the message that sinners can be reconciled to God. It is the love of God that came and pursued us, outsiders, to be united to His Eternal Son, that expands within us to pursue those outside our language or cultural comforts. We want the body of Calvary to see everyone as in need of the Gospel either for salvation or for continual growth in Jesus. We want to see all of our community as the mission field God has for us right here. We also want to support good churches here in our city that preach the Gospel faithfully and maybe reach a demographic that we are not currently reaching.



What does a partnership with a Hispanic church mean for your congregation?

It means we get to rejoice with them when we see what God is doing in bringing sinners to salvation and brothers and sisters to worship God in our city. It is a vivid reminder of the heavenly vision around the throne of people from all nations, tongues, and tribes coming to worship. It helps us see the bigger picture of the local church -- the church is bigger than Calvary Baptist Church. It means we are praying regularly for the success of another church we care deeply about.

How do we partner cross-culturally without imposing something on each other?

The picture of imposing on each other conjures up images of contracts and red tape and not Gospel fellowship/partnership. There is so much that is just beginning to blossom in my mind when I think of partnering with New Life Bible Church. What a wealth of relationships with other brothers and sisters, sharing meals with them, getting to know them, sharing resources and people with them, learning from them, a mutual caring for each other, praying for one another -- treating them as family and not as renters. They are our brothers and sisters, and we want to see them flourish because we want to see the Gospel advance.

Photo right: In December 2020, God is my Peace Church provided corn flour, eggs, sardines, cookies, and bar soap to 45 families.



Photo above: Marinela from Jesus is the Life Church in Valera, Trujillo is part of the Arepitas de Amor (Bread of Love) program that provides meals and snacks for children and families through your generous donations.

Food insecurity is a tremendous issue in Venezuela! As designated funds are available, we send \$20 each month to 31 churches where CrossLink was birthed as a Hispanic ministry. The \$20 is multiplied into meals for pastors and their families, as well as the needy children and families served by these churches.



Josh & Sarah Ryan >>>

Happy New Years from the Ryan Family!

For as difficult as 2020 was for our community here in Othello, we praise God for so much.

Praise God for the 3 Mixtec families that are attending our weekly home Bible study services. We are amazed to see the new Christians help explain the Gospel in Mixteco to newcomers when there is any confusion.

Praise God for how he provided for the Christmas program so far above and beyond our expectations. We have given gifts, as well as Bibles in Mixteco, Spanish, and English to 300 families and we still have about 80 to go. The Christmas packages are being received very warmly. Pray with us that God would open doors for future ministry with the many new families. Pray with us for the new Mixtec believers to grow in their faith and their witness for Christ.



<<< Iglesia Biblica Sinaí in Tieton , WA

Praise God for the community in Tieton!

One way to support Sinai Bible Church is to check in on Facebook for the Sunday Worship Service at 2:00 PM.

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