

Latino Ministries CGGC

Winter 2018 Edition

NICARAGUA INTRODUCTION

Pastors Caleb & Christina Acosta

Nicaragua on His mind?

Who would have known that here in Lancaster, Pennsylvania were two humble individuals that would lead us to a ministry abroad. Daryl Rineer, a local farmer and Dean White, a local pastor, have a friendship that far reaches to Central America, Nicaragua to be exact. From Daryl's years of involvement through his grandfather to Dean's recent involvement through friendship, brings us to today, a deeper connection with Nicaraguan ministry and Churches of God, General Conference. Caleb and I serve as Directors of Latino Ministries and we are humbled to play a small role in connecting these ministries for a greater Kingdom purpose.



(In the photo, Pastor German welcomes the members and visitors at the beginning of the service. The congregation includes immediate members of his family, his wife Silvia and extended family. His daughter, Diana and her family, also attends this church in between house services to encourage the work and ministry of her father.)

Meet the Churches of God, General Conference of Nicaragua, 2018! We first met Pastor German Baquedano (far left in the picture) in 2016 in an exploratory visit to his native country. He currently serves the Christian Church Family Restoration, House of God church (congregation pictured above) located in Chinandega. This specific town is known for its history of oranges which translates in Spanish to "china". After several visits with the ministry, we have come to a conclusion that this is a missions ministry kind of family. His daughter, Diana, is currently leading a new church plant in a town close by known as El Viejo. Their meeting place happens in homes of families. Services are happening as public family meetings and they rotate the location of the meetings often. This reminds me of the early church worship settings in

ancient times. “Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts.” Acts 2:46 NIV. This is the house church of Nicaragua today!

The Chinandega church needs to make some repairs in its own building that will help Pastor German offer counseling services to people. These repairs would help him to provide a more private and confidential counseling environment. House churches are a popular way of beginning new works in many Latino countries. Prayer ministry is the first means of any successful work in the Lord. Nicaragua happens to be the most recent example. I must admit after visiting this country several times in the past two years, Nicaragua is definitely on God’s mind!

Nicaragua Ministry Needs:

1. Nicaragua has an urgent need to purchase land and begin a more established location for congregational worship that has recently outgrown house services. They have worshipped and gathered in homes for so long that they are at a critical point in establishing a main hub for the El Viejo Neighborhood.
2. Children’s materials and crafts.
3. The Chinandega church needs to make some repairs in its own building that will help Pastor German offer counseling services to people. These repairs would help him to provide a more private and confidential counseling environment.
4. Transportation Needs. Pastor German has communicated the need for local transportation so that he may expand pastoral duties to the members of his congregation, continue evangelization efforts in expanded territories, and sending teams to El Viejo for the efforts in church planting there as well.

To contribute to the Nicaraguan account, donate online at <https://secure.cggc.org/nicaragua> or send a check written out to “CGGC” to the following address: CGGC-CCM, PO Box 926, Findlay, OH 45839. List “CC 2810-Nicaragua” on the memo line.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Caleb and Christina

Thank you for your prayers and financial support!

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WINTER 2018

PROJECT GOOD NEWS BRAZIL

GORDON & ANNIE AVEY

VISIT TO BAHIA

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BEGAN IN 1998
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CHURCHES IN 3
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PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for our financial support level to increase.
- Pray for continued health and growth in the churches in Bahia State
- Pray for our health and safety.
- Pray for the outreach impact of the churches in the city of Santo Antonio de Jesus, Bahia.

In October, Gordon took a 2 ½ hour flight from Campinas to NE Brazil to the state of Bahia where we have two churches in the city of Santo Antonio de Jesus. Our first Good News Church was founded back in 2003 and is referred to as Temple 1. The 2nd church was a daughter church plant from the first church that began in 2014. A group from the first church were blessed and sent out to begin a new congregation. They met in a small carport for over 2 years. They now meet in a rented facility and are known as Good News Temple 2. Pastor Samuel Souza and wife Iramaia (right) are the pastors of the first church and Pastor Roque Alves and wife Jocelma (left) are pastors of the second church.



On the Sunday evening service I spoke at the first church to a packed house. There was such a tremendous spirit of worship and fellowship. The praise group presented songs of praise and worship that brought us to the throne of mercy. There were several presentations by the youth, songs and dance.



The highlight of the service to me was what happened at the end of the service. Pr. Samuel was called to the front as it was his 64th birthday. He and his wife Iramaia came forward and were seated. What followed was so moving! In a manifestation of love, honor and appreciation for their pastor and wife, many members of the congregation came forward to wash their feet. It was a powerful moment as the hugs were given and tears flowed. There was no way to hold back the emotion and I was so grateful to have been there for such a blessed singular event.



THANK YOU!

Annie and I are blessed and thankful to God for so many faithful partners, churches and individuals, that make up our support team. Please pray for our support level as it has fallen short of our annual goal and therefore we are running in a deficit. We have been informed by the mission that if our support does not improve to cover our salary expenses and deficit, we will be reduced by 30% on January 1, 2019. We would ask that if possible, each one make a special Christmas gift to our ministry in Brazil. This would do so much to help us meet our support goal and get us into the black before the end of the year.

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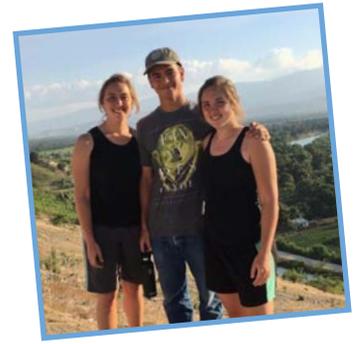
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May you and your family have a blessed Christmas Season!

Gordon & Annie





SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM THE AYERS!

We are preparing to return to Haiti January 8, 2019 after spending several months in our hometown, Curryville, MO. We have a FULL schedule of visiting teams in Borel next spring. We are looking forward to working with all of the teams and we praise God for sending them to serve in Haiti. We ask for your prayers as we will be short staffed during team season. The Hoslers will be in the US until Steve receives a "go" from his doctor and the Millace's are now serving in the Montrouis area. Please pray for physical and spiritual strength for us during the upcoming busy team season.



Our oldest daughter, Ashley, recently graduated from Hannibal LaGrange University. She is taking a short "break" before continuing studies toward a medical degree. She will be returning to Haiti with us in January and helping with the teams.

Our middle daughter, Emily, is in her third year at Southwest Baptist University. She will be work with us in January and hopes to bring a team down in March.

And, our youngest, Ross, is in his first year of college. He is disappointed that he won't be returning to Haiti in January, but he too, is planning to bring a team in March.

Operation Christmas Child

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While in the US, our family has been busy working with Operation Christmas Child, a ministry with Samaritan's Purse that is dear to our hearts. I am the coordinator for our local drop-off location. Our family works together all week, collecting and cartonizing shoeboxes from local churches and organizations. God increased our box donations by 30% this year!! Praise God!! And to wrap up the OCC season, God allowed us to lead a team of 104 to Minneapolis, MN to work at the processing center for OCC!! Our weekend trip was cut a little short due to winter storm Bruce, but we were thankful to have the opportunity to serve. Several on our team have also served in Haiti, including missionary daughter, Charity Hosler!! It is an extra special joy and blessing to serve God with people from our "Haiti connections." We also notice on Facebook many familiar faces from Haiti teams working at OCC processing centers across the US!!! "I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:10



We have been experiencing bouts of winter weather in Missouri. Several snows and freezing temperatures throughout November. It has been fun experiencing the snow and cold that we usually miss while in Haiti. Soon – we will be back living in the warmth of the tropics. Please pray for us as we prepare to return, that the Holy Spirit will continue revealing scripture to us to ready us and that we may find time of rest and renewal before team season.

Thank you for your continued support through prayer and giving. We know it is only through God's provision that we are able to continue serving in Haiti and we are very thankful of how He provides through you.

BANGLADESH MISSION UPDATE

Winter 2018



“The blind receive sight...” Matthew 11:5

Kalo Bala was not born with a silver spoon in her mouth (pictured above left). She came from an underprivileged Hindu family. Married at the age of 12, she spent her years laboring alongside her husband in fields that were not her own, struggling to feed their two children each day. Later on, her children grown and married, her husband had a stroke and accompanying paralysis. Their financial situation and remote location did not allow for quality medical care, and he subsequently died. Now alone and depressed, the widow struggled to support herself financially, sometimes resorting to begging when her income as a day laborer was not enough. During this time, she noticed a gradual lessening of the eyesight in her right eye, to the point that she could only perceive light with it, but nothing else. She lived this way for two years before hearing about an eye camp that was going to be conducted in her area. She made her way to the eye camp and was examined by Dr. John Costa who runs the CGGC-supported eye clinic in Khanjanpur. Arrangements were made for her to have surgery to remove the offending cataract. The surgery went perfectly. The following day, she was joyfully giving praise to the Lord and very thankful to those who made it possible for her to regain her sight. For a lady who is not accustomed to receiving good gifts in life, this was a great encouragement. Pray that she will come to know the Giver of All Good Gifts.



Throughout the last half of 2018, CCM has been working with leadership in the Bangladesh Mission to help settle some disunity within the Mission. During this time, we have been able to visit with different staff in various areas. Above are some pictures from a village and church we visited. It serves as a reminder about why we have ministry there. There are so many people who have not yet heard about Jesus and who are living in conditions of extreme poverty. When we visit those who have found hope in Christ, it gives us encouragement to keep praying and partnering to see communities come to the Lord. Spiritual warfare is real and Satan does not want the Mission in Bangladesh to be fruitful. That's why we need your sustained prayers for all the ministry that is happening there. A praise in the midst of this struggle is that the Bogra Christian Hospital has become virtually self supporting. We are excited that they may be at a point where they can begin subsidizing the Mission schools and Community development funds. If you currently give to Medical Ministry in Bangladesh, I encourage you to give instead to the Schools or to Community Development as listed below.

To Partner with the Ministry in Bangladesh

Checks can be made out to CGGC and mailed to CGGC-CCM, P.O. Box 926, Findlay, Ohio 45839; or you may give securely online at <http://secure.cggc.org/Bangladesh>

Please pray for the ministry workers and the work in Bangladesh. The fund accounts listed below are **significantly under funded**. Please consider regular giving and prayer to help the Bangladesh Mission:

CC 2709-Community Development

CC 2702-Education and Schools

Carlton Family

Act, Love, Walk Ministry- Bahir Dar, Ethiopia



The Holidays are Coming...

And so is change.

As usual, there seems to be so much going on constantly that we don't know where to begin with. The last few months played out much different than we could have expected, however. Things with the ministry have been going smoothly. Relationships with the church and people in our community and city have been growing strong. Most everything with our family has been going great! Yet, it seems one very small seeming thing has caused some quick changes. In late August we all flew down to Addis Ababa to go through the process for getting Joy her passport and Ethiopian visa. This took nearly a month. We have great friends there that allow us to stay with them for free, praise God for that! Unfortunately, just a few days before everything was accomplished, Stephen had a disc in his neck slip out of place, and it seems to have pinched the nerve running through his left arm. He had an MRI to show the diagnosis. The doctors prescribed him pain medicine for the high level of pain he was feeling. We were able to finish the process for Joy and then fly back to our city. Stephen went to a new doctor in our city. The medicine was changed some to try to help more. However, nothing else was done to help. A second MRI after two weeks had shown no improvement. Asking

Joy excitedly getting ready for her first winter!



Saba and Jacob are enjoying the cold weather!

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about physical therapy or anything else that could help to fix the disc was answered the same way: “We will just wait to see if it will heal on it’s own. Worst case scenario is surgery.” We really don’t like the idea of having neck surgery, especially in Ethiopia, but it seemed as if that was going to be inevitable with there being no plan to fix the problem, but only mask the pain symptoms. After constant pain for a month, and much prayer, we knew that we would need to come to the states. Without insurance, we have quite the road ahead of us. We arrived in Oregon the end of October. We are first trying Physical Therapy and Massage Therapy.

We are officially going on extended leave with the CGGC. In this time of being in the states, Stephen will look for employment and then see about possible US citizenship for Ubah, Tarik, and Saba. We have some of our stuff stored in Ethiopia, anticipating a return some day, but we don’t know when that will be.

Before leaving, we began a transition for the ministry in Ethiopia. Mr. Fantahoun, a man from our church there, had been heavily involved from the beginning, and he will continue to run things there. We are confident that God will continue to use him greatly!

God bless you all, and Merry Christmas!

Please pray for the girls in the ministry!



PRAYER REQUESTS

-Please pray for the girls in the ministry and Mr. Fantahoun, as he is now managing things in Ethiopia.

-Please pray for our family. Pray that God would open the door for employment for Stephen, and also bring the healing that he needs.

-Please pray for the citizen process ahead of us. That God would provide for the financial needs as well as allow the process to go smoothly.

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We want to thank you all for your prayers and support of our family and the girls in the ministry in Ethiopia! God has used you to bless each one of us greatly!



Dillingers On Mission

MISSIONARY NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2018

PRAYER

REQUESTS:

- **There has been an increase in spiritual warfare going on in the Gamerco community. Pray that the light of Jesus would continue to shine brightly.**
- **That God would continue to be with the Hospital Bible Study, as those who attend grow in their faith and walk with Him!**
- **For the Youth Ministries at Gamerco.**
- **For Elly as she continues to grow.**
- **For Tabitha, as she balances school, work, family, and ministry!**

Reflections of 2018

Now that it is getting towards the end of 2018 and the snow is starting to fall (Yes, we do get snow here in New Mexico.), it is time that we reflect on the blessings that 2018 brought us. While there were many successes and failures, it is evident that God was walking beside us every moment of the way.

One of the highlights was that we were able to share with our communities in different ways this year. We had a sports camp at Gamerco, which not only taught the youth of our neighborhood basic sports skills, but we also learned about the important role grace plays in our life. We reached out into the community, doing a wellness camp, teaching about how to live a healthy life and to give God the glory through our

healthy lives. We also worked alongside a family community, placing a roof onto a church that they had used their own money to build. They believed God called them to start a church for the community



they lived in, and we worked alongside of them (and continue to do so) to place a roof for fellowship to continue throughout the winter.

Another highlight for us was walking into new territory by starting a Bible Study ministry for those that work with Tabitha at the hospital. Because it is an isolated area, there were many employees that were brothers and sisters in the faith, but had no place to live out their faith. We saw the need, and God called us to start a ministry there. We have a core number of people involved, and we are looking for ways of expanding in the future.

While 2018 has been a very, very busy year, (We had one week off in the entire summer!), it sure has been a blessed year. I feel like we planted a lot of seeds this year, and strongly believe we will see some of that harvest in 2019. We pray that God's hand is over it all and that His will will be done in His timing.

Thank you all sooo much!

One of the things we have reflected on during the last month or two is how totally blessed we are in having partners in ministry. We have felt all of the support within this last year, no matter if it was through prayers, talents, or treasures.

We simply cannot continue to do what God has called us to do without all of that support, and we thank you! It was such an honor to speak at a Missionary rally in Pennsylvania in October and see all of our friends and family in Christ that came from all over just to see us and sup-

port us again. We have been loved by you all. We have been blessed by you all. It is our prayer that God would bless you just as much as you all have been a blessing to us. Thank you all so much in partnering not only with us, but also with the plans that God has for us. Thank You!

Tabitha and I are continuing to do very well. Tabitha is working hard to finish up her masters degree program in a years time, and Devin is continuing his focus and strengthening leaders within the churches.

We are still in need of partners in ministry ! We are looking for both prayer partners, those that are willing to dedicate time in prayer for our family and ministry on the Navajo Reservation, and those that feel led to be financial partners.

If you feel led to become one of our financial partners in ministry, contributions can be made out to "CGGC" and mailed to:

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Dillinger Update!

Elly continues to grow healthy and happy!



Let's be honest. You may only be reading this newsletter to see new pictures of Elly and see how much she is growing (haha lol).

Well, Elly just continues to grow so fast. She is not only walking anymore, but she is having a blast running around. She loves to meet new children and loves to play with them.

She makes us laugh so many times at her

many facial expressions, which she totally gets from her father. She is learning and saying new words on a weekly basis. She definitely has a personality of her own, and people at the churches just continue to love on her.

One of her new interests is mimicking different things that we do. If she sees us in the kitchen, she wants to participate. She likes playing "mom" with her different dolls and stuffed animals. It is just adorable to watch.

Thank you guys for your prayers! It is not easy being parents on the mission field, but we have been totally blessed!

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We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a blessed 2019!



Hosler Happenings

HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER

2018

Dear Praying Friends,

Have you ever prayed and received an answer right away? This happened to Amy at the beginning of September. As many of you know Steve had a bad cough beginning in June and continuing into September of this year. On Sunday morning, September 2, Amy prayed that Steve would stop coughing. She cried out to the Lord to let it stop. It did briefly as Steve stopped breathing and had a seizure in bed. Amy was not sure what to do, but called a doctor. That led to Steve being hospitalized that day and for the next 45 days. After many tests were run, it was determined that Steve had a mass blocking 90% of the blood to his aortic valve. The way to fix this problem was to have open heart surgery. The problem was that the hospital he was in could not do this procedure. For two days we waited for a bed to open up at the best heart hospital in the state and it did not happen. Instead, on Friday afternoon Steve was transferred to a great hospital about 1 1/2 hours away in a town where many of Amy's family members live. On that Tuesday, September 4th, Steve underwent surgery to remove the mass, replace the aortic valve and fix the mitral valve in his heart. It was a long procedure, and when he finished he entered ICU for the next eight days. In the process his kidneys did not restart, so he started dialysis. Steve was then moved to a regular room and began the slow road to recovery. He had two more surgeries, including one to put a permacath in for dialysis and another to shock his heart into rhythm. Steve was so weak from all the time in the hospital. He then was transferred to a rehab hospital to gain strength. October 15th Steve walked out of the rehab hospital, happy to join the rest of the family in Battle Creek staying with Amy's parents.



Prayer Request

Please pray for Steve to continue to gain strength and endurance.

Pray that we are able to get a machine to check Steve's blood levels at home.

Pray for wisdom as we continue to seek how to school Joseph best.

Pray for patience for the family as we wait on the right time to return to Haiti.

Praises

Praise the Lord that the doctors were able to find what was wrong with Steve and fix it.

Praise for a home to stay here in the states as Steve continues to recover. A big thank you to Amy's parents for taking care of all of us this fall.

Praise for Steve to be transferred to a hospital near many of Amy's family members who were an encouragement to her.

Thank you to everyone who sent cards, gifts, and prayed for us these past few months.

What is next for the Hosler family?

As Amy or anyone else tells the story of the last couple of months, one question seems to be asked the most. "What's next?" or "Are you really going back to Haiti?" The answer to the question is not as easy or straightforward as we would like. The short answer is yes, we are headed back home to Haiti. This medical scare really showed each member of the family in different ways that Haiti is home. The children are enjoying playing in snow and going to school with other students, but everyone misses home.

The first thing that needed to be cleared up was what caused the mass that blocked the blood from flowing to Steve's heart. The short answer is a blood clot of sorts. This is very strange as Steve has been on blood thinners for many years after he had a blood clot in his leg and lung. The doctors have now switched which kind of blood thinner he is on so they can watch his clotting levels better. The second thing that needs to happen is for Steve to return to full health and strength. This is a process. As I

write, Steve is having physical and occupational therapy once a week. While he was hospitalized, his right hand pointer finger and thumb suffered nerve damage. They are still trying to run tests to determine what caused this. This damage makes it very hard for Steve to write. He also struggles with eating and tying shoes. We are hoping as the permacath is removed that this will ease the problem.

The last thing that needs to be taken care of is Joseph's education. As his teacher stated, he is brilliant, but how to get that on paper is very hard. Joseph is struggling with reading and writing and is repeating the 1st grade. Please pray with us that we will be able to discover the best way to school Joseph and be able to unlock his full potential.



So How are the Kids Doing

The children are doing remarkably well considering all the changes that have taken place. We were not able to go on a planned vacation as Steve was hospitalized. Daniel and Joseph have begun attending local elementary schools. For over a month the children lived with their grandparents during the week and only saw their parents on the weekend. They have enjoyed getting to do some activities that are easier to do in America. Charity is taking dance. Daniel is on a basketball team. The children also like to go to a local skate park. The children have all found youth groups and kid's activities at church. We are thankful for these opportunities.

We can't do this without you.

We are so thankful for your faithful support of our ministry these past few years. We know that many of you prayed each day for Steve's recovery. The family has enjoyed cards from all over the states reminding us that people are praying. Many people and churches gave gifts to cover unexpected expenses. We are happy to report that the medical bills are all paid to date. The family also has winter clothes for the next couple of months. We are also thankful for a place to stay, and our van is running well. Please continue to pray for us in the coming months.

In His Hands,

Amy, Steve, Charity, Daniel, and Joseph Hosler



Joseph with his great aunt and uncle who Amy stayed with

Maui Missions Newsletter

This year Hawai'i had its share of natural catastrophes. In February, March, August and September, we were hit with hurricanes, tropical storms and fire. Imagine one inch of rain is equivalent to 70 billion gallons of water. Hawai'i island received 55 inches of rain (3.9 trillion gallons of water) in one day from Hurricane Lane (started as a Category 5).

Mau'i was in damage control due to flooding, flash floods and fire because of Hurricane Lane. But it was Hurricane Olivia, like a woman scorned, ravaged our home and neighborhood. Some families in Honokohau Valley loss their houses, animals, and belongings. We sustained damages to our house but fixable. Debris from neighbors ended up under our home. Mud in the house. Mud everywhere. Stonewalls gone. Water catchment fell apart. Lawnmower is toast. Total mess.



Good news. Family members, church members and friends came to help. God blessed us with strong guys not afraid to work and get dirty. Even my 70+ year old cousin was under the house pulling stuff out. The stream lifted rocks and dirt into our yard. Rocks under our deck and screened porch washed away. Four by four posts holding the deck gone causing the deck to slant. **Good news.** My friend will help jack up the deck and create a concrete foundation soon.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Praise the Lord that our home was saved and can be repaired.
- Pray for the people of Hawaii as they have faced multiple natural disasters in 2018.
- Pray that as I am presenting workshops, the Lord would use them mightily to encourage and equip church leaders.



Our compact car was taken down the river, smashed into the bridge then submerged in the bay. **Good news.** Neighbors found the car and towed it out. It looks like an accordion. Praise the LORD we have a second vehicle, a 2003 Chevy Trail Blazer on its last leg.



Trusting the LORD is paramount. Without Him we can do nothing. God provides calm through troublesome times. *“Be still,”* He said to the storm and they obeyed His voice. God is glorified.

Kenda spent three weeks in Indiana visiting family. She left a day earlier due to Hurricane Olivia’s arrival. Kenda had a great time visiting but worried about the situation on Maui. We talked and I assured her that everything was going to be alright.

Ministry Update

I have been teaching a workshop called **Apostolic Ministry** in the church’s Leadership Center (and visiting a couple of other churches). Another workshop I’m leading is called **Reboot Camp**. Like a computer that freezes, churches are frozen in ministry. Reboot Camp helps churches to start again with a new vision and mission.

Thank you for your financial, prayerful and emotional support. Blessings. We love you more in Jesus Christ.

Pastor Dave and Kenda Kapaku



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NEWS FROM SWEDEN

Molgaard's Newsletter

Winter 2018



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Sweden,

As I write this two months after Sweden had their national elections, Sweden still does not have a government. As we are seeing around the world, there is a polarization in the political and cultural worldviews. It is not just happening in the USA. This is indeed a challenging time, one that we saw coming but not often aware of its consequences. How does this affect our ministry? How do we move forward? It seems, at least in the context I am in, that Christians prefer to stay in the safe zones or comfort zone. The times are a-changing and it is difficult.

But we are part of a Kingdom that is not of this world. It is a Kingdom where there is hope and where diversity can find unity, where love trumps hate, where peace overcomes chaos. And we are committed to bring this message to the world.

We have been asked by CCM to write our goals for 2019. The goals we set have to be realistic in our context. Unrealistic goals are what cause frustration and burnout. The following are our goals or missional action plan for 2019:

Our missional action plan has three thresholds for reaching out to a secular, post Christian culture and a diverse immigrant culture.

These three thresholds are: Building relationships, creating community and making disciples. This is done as CGGC CCM missionaries by collaborating with other organizations.

In collaboration with Initiatives of Change Sweden, we are working with missional initiatives that build relationships and create community with Swedish culture and with the immigrants.

In 2018 we started a gathering called Gemenskap i Göteborg (Gathering in Gothenburg). This gathering is a low-key fellowship where we gather together for story telling; sharing personal stories or witnessing about how change begins with ourselves. It gives us an opportunity to share our faith. Our goal is to build relationships that we can invite into this community and build a trust that can lead to the bigger conversation of the gospel.

Initiatives of Change Gothenburg just recently received a grant from the Swedish government for about \$22000 with the purpose of developing a project that will help asylum seekers to integrate into the Swedish culture. This gives us the opportunity to reach out and to be witnesses of Christ's love to the Muslim population in Gothenburg. We are in the process of developing a team with the goal for the project to begin on January 1, 2019.

In affiliation with Communitas International, we work to be a catalyst in creating faith-based community that makes disciples. At this point we are still in the seed-planting phase. Our goal is to see our ministry Logos develop into a faith community, but we know there are great challenges to this initiative.

As CCM missionaries, we are the extension or the arm of CGGC to develop a Kingdom impact in Europe. We are called to be living out Christ's Great Commission to make disciples and serving as His witnesses to Sweden and Europe.



Once again we want to thank you for your prayers and support. Without you, we cannot do what we are doing. At this point we are, and we still need more partners to help us be fully supported in 2019.

In His Service,
Douglas and Anna-Karin Molgaard

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INDIA MISSION UPDATE

Winter 2018

Dear Praying Friends,

At the outset we, the India Mission, greet each one of you in the matchless name of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ. We thank you for your prayers and intercession on behalf us. It is indeed a joy to tell you all that the Lord is doing in this part of the world, in India. We thank God for every opportunity we get to do the work of God – doing good to the people around us – telling them the Good News of Jesus Christ that we have forgiveness of sin in Jesus Christ and have the opportunity to live a better life and to become a good and responsible citizen of India. Below we want to share some ministry that God has enabled us to be part of over the past several months.

Pictured right is a new Fellowship place in Bishnupur, Malda. This place is donated by a believer, Bishu Mardi. Roof and boundary walls are to be built by tin. ***Praise God for growth.***

In our Schools and Child Development Centre we had celebrated Teacher's Day on September 5th and Children's Day on November 14th. These important days are observed at all the educational Institutions in India. Below are photos of the project children honouring their teachers and the children receiving food on Children's Day.



We held a Family and Youth Camp from October 18-21. The camps are to provide fellowship, encouragement and show the new way of life through Jesus our Lord. They help us develop youth and family leadership in the communities/villages. Eighty eight family members and 74 youths participated. It was a time of refreshing for all of them. Around 40 youths decided to walk in the path of the Lord. ***Please pray for their encouragement and commitment to the Lord.***



For the security & safety of our field staff and those they minister to, please DO NOT SHARE this on social media .

Prayer Requests

- Pray for the spiritual health of the believers and children of the Development Center.
- Pray that the Girls secondary school as it launches in January 2019.
- Pray for more prayer and financial partners for the expanded fields of ministry.

India Giving Opportunities

Community Development CC-2720

- As we expand into western India and add more national missionaries we need more support for them and their outreach activities.

Child Development CC-2900

- Underprivileged child program

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Field Director, Samir & his family



Exciting News - India Mission is expanding

New ministry fields in western and southern states of India. Pictured below are 5 new local missionaries serving in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Andhra Pradesh. *Pray for new church partners from the USA to help support these areas and ministries.*

In June and July 2018 the Singha family had a wonderful time in the USA visiting and sharing the work of God in this part of the world, India. We would like to thank each one of you and the churches who hosted us, opened your homes to us, provided warm fellowship to us and prayed for us. It was so nice experiencing your sincere love and care in Jesus' name. And on the other hand it was a learning time for us. We are blessed. *Continue to pray for India Mission it's workers, youth and believers.*

We wish you Merry Christmas and Blessed happy New Year 2019

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TSAILE COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Ya'at'eeh! | Hello

High School Class

TCC has been in need of a Sunday youth class teacher. Since the Pastor's son has been led to teach the younger generation TCC has seen a return teenage attendance. Continued prayers of guidance for the youth class as well as their new teacher is much appreciated. The group has been led to complete the entire bible from beginning to end. They have just ended a series on Judges.

Children's Church

Kid's Church has seen an improvement as well. Bealinda Bahe had been stretched thin when she had to teach both the high school students and the elementary students. Now that she is working with Travis, Bealinda has been able to work one on one with the children in a manner that is understandable to them. Bea has been teaching the kids how to apply what they learn from Sunday School so they can be better students at school and learning to pray at an early age.



A Bigger Church Family

Tsaile Community Church has seen a significant improvement and growth in its membership and leadership during that past few months. Several people have come forward for salvation, others who have been members for several months have undergone baptism, and former members from years ago have returned to make TCC their home church. The church family has also seen improved attendance during the Mid-week services. For that reason, the church council decided to continue services during the winter, which had been previously suspended until spring due to lower attendance and weather conditions.

The church received continued requests for involvement and





Church Family

"I have been attending TCC for 15 years. I love coming to church on Sundays to hear the message from Pastor Everett Teller. His messages are very easy to understand in both English and in Navajo." Loretta Cowboy

"I left TCC for a number of years but I always considered it my home church. So the moment I walked into TCC again I felt comfort. I always look forward to fellowshiping and hearing the word of God." Jazmine Martinez

"Pastor Everett Teller believes in leadership here at TCC and is very passionate about preaching and teaching the Word of God." Selena Yazzie



participation from its members. Abraham Bochinlonny volunteered to do a second van run to reach the Lukachukai Community. Another member of the church, Henry Tsosie, took it upon himself to be the church's morning door greeter. TCC has also had the opportunity of working young Navajo Gospel singer, Robinson Jones. Once a month Mr. Jones graces TCC from Shiprock, NM to lead worship entirely in Navajo. Tsaile has seen much growth and a lot of change. God's presence is evident and we can't wait to see what else he has in store for His growing Church.

A Message from Pastor Everett Teller

I apologize for my lack of communication to the supporters of Tsaile Community Church. Hopefully I will continue to submit regular news letters to inform and update about the ministries here at Tsaile, AZ. The holidays are approaching and excitement is in the air. From your Church Family here at TCC we wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and Ya'at'eeh Keshmish (Merry Christmas). God Bless,

Pastor Everett Teller





Blessings from the Hooghan Nizhoni and Gamarco Churches

WINTER 2018

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES:

Praise the Lord for no house fires so far this winter! Pray for continued protection.

Praise Him for the growing interest in repentance and reconciliation in the Body!

Pray for those who will celebrate the season and not know the Reason.

Pray for those who will sleep cold tonight.

Pray that we might present the Word in a culturally relevant way to our people.



Faces of Hooghan Nizhoni and Gamarco



Run, Forrest! Run!

I have a story to tell of the power of prayer and the hope we can have in our God. I have been asked to tell the “whole” story because some have come in on the middle of the prayer updates I send out. (If you want the prayer updates, send your electronic address to me and you’re on the list.)

The Hooghan Nizhoni fellowship is known on and around the reservation as a praying body of believers. If you want to be prayed for, call Hooghan fellowship and you will have prayer. Maybelle will call me and say “Do you know where the Safeway is?” “Well, of course I do!” “We’ll see you in the parking lot as soon as you can get there. We need to pray for someone.” If someone is in trouble, we go pray for them. So naturally when Coro Shay could not walk or talk, we started to pray. I have permission to tell this story in its entirety.

Coro is one of the seventeen grandchildren of Grandma Caroline who are all less than ten years old. He and his siblings had a rough life as alcohol was the only constant when they were with their parents. When Coro was a little baby he was choked in an alcohol induced fit of rage. At that point he just lay there with practically no signs of normal development. Grandma Caroline fought for and got custody of the children. She and Grandpa Davidson now have them to raise. Now this little boy was in Hooghan every time the doors were open and naturally he was prayed for at every service. Coro was on everyone's mind and all prayed for him. He was anointed many times.

The IHS doctors told Grandma that he would never walk or talk, but the faithful at Hooghan were not buying that. We continued to pray for his healing. After about a year and a half, the hospital bought Coro a special walker for him to use. However, I never saw it because it was around then that he started to walk! Certainly, at first he was looking up more than down, but walking nonetheless. This little boy who would never walk - was! Now with that many children in the service one has to ride herd sometimes, but when Coro was "running around" in my mind I would think of the movie Forrest Gump, and say "Run, Forrest. Run!" and that is why I call him Forrest. He just loves the drum set that his uncle and aunt play, and he can get up the steps to the drums.

We are still praying for his speech since he is not talking yet. He is making noises and going to a special speech class. We fully expect another miracle in the near future. Will you pray with us expecting the same?



Greetings from the Thummas

Miss Toni and I want to thank everyone for your prayers this past year for ministry, family, health, and travel. We also want to thank you for your generous support for this ministry and for us. We have been blessed to continue to serve our Lord and the Churches of God this past year. We pray we will all see Christ this Christmas. Blessings!

In His Path, John & Toni Thumma

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THE VANDERVORT REPORT

Winter 2018



DEAR FRIENDS & FAMILY,

Merry Christmas! Hardly seems like the Holiday season when it is in the high 80s. Mike put up Christmas lights on our house, Armando's, Watson's and the guest house. It does look festive at night. We found a little tree over at the guest house and Mike and Laura worked on it for quite a while. While it still looks like Charlie Brown's tree, there will be a tree at the guest house. I brought a small tree and a tote full of decorations. Our house will be festive. Anyone who knows me knows I love Christmas! It will be different this year but we are still celebrating Christ's birth.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for our family in the States.
- Pray for God to raise up workers to come to Haiti.
- Pray for our continued good health.
- Pray for wisdom from the Lord when we make decisions as situations arise

PRAISES

- Praise the Lord for the safety of locals and missionaries during the time of economic changes.



It has almost been a year since we have been back in Haiti! Hardly seems possible. It has been quite a year to say the least. We have had several medical groups visit, including one from our home church. They saw so many patients and did many surgeries. We have had several changes since we arrived. Our roles have changed. Missionaries have left the field and one family is home on emergency medical leave. We are trying to juggle two campuses, 40 employees, the hospital, clinic and 2 guest houses. It can get busy.

We celebrated Emmauel's first birthday. He is Watson and Nadia's little boy. He brings us joy when he sees us and his face lights up.



For anyone who signed up for the automatic giving, I understand they are going to a newer, easier to use program. If you notice your donation isn't coming out please email Bob Stephenson, treasurer@cggc.org, at HQ and he can send you a link. We have heard from some people that they got the email and others who didn't.

We again wish a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and thank you for all your support for us!

Mike & Dawn