## Motivational Ministries

## **NEXT MISSION TRIPS**

Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men. Mark 1:17b

July 2024 - La Paz, MX

August 2024 - Leon / Irapuato, MX

September 2024 - Zacatecas, MX

October 2024 - Mexico City, MX

November 2024 - Culiacan, MX

## Yucatan Peninsula Mission Trip June 2024















"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; The humble shall hear of it and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together." Psalm 34:1-3

Dear Motivational Ministries partners: We are so happy to be able to update you on the two mission trips we have completed so far this summer! For the glory of God, on Mission Trip #110 we ministered as a family – Lisa, Jason and his wife Simmerly, Regina, and myself - in the Yucatan peninsula from June 6 through June 15. We definitely missed our brother Tom Owensby, and we continue to pray for his complete recovery! It was extremely hot during those days! It was 100 – 105 degrees with 80% humidity. Even our sound engineer, David Roblero, Jr, who lives in Merida, suffered heat stroke one of the days! But God is so faithful and restored his health by the next day. The rest of us stayed relatively healthy, and we praise God for His goodness!

Our first ministry opportunity was on Friday at the prison in Tekax, Yucatan. It is always one of our favorite places to minister because being able to see the power of God at work in such visible ways is so unique! From the moment we set up and began to sing the first song, the Holy Spirit began to touch the hearts of hardened men, many of whom began to weep openly. After the music program, Brother David Roblero brought clear, powerful message of the Gospel, and 38 men prayed to receive Christ as their Savior for the first time!

On Saturday, we ministered in a nursing home called Betania, where we were able to encourage our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living the last part of their journey on this earth. It was such an honor to sing for them and worship with them and remind them that if they are still on this earth, God is not finished with them yet! And there were 7 people who received Christ for the first time! Praise the Lord!

On Sunday, we brought the music and Word in a church in Merida, Yucatan in the morning, and then in a Baptist Church in Progreso, Yucatan in the evening. For the glory of God, we prayed with 45 people in the morning and 6 people in the evening who made first-time decisions to follow Jesus!

We traveled to the Cancun area then and began the ministry in that region on Tuesday at an Assembly of God church led by Pastor Gerardo Cortez. We were very blessed by his evangelistic, mission-minded spirit, and the time of worship and fellowship was amazing! That evening we had the privilege to pray with 8 people to receive Christ for the first time! The majority of the 8 people were from one family who is going through a very difficult situation, and they had been very far from God. The pastor had gone to visit them in the morning and invited them to come to the concert that night, and praise the Lord, they came and gave their hearts to Him! We also prayed with many Christians for rededication and for healing of many different situations. It was tremendous!

Anchorage, Alaska Mission Trip June 2024

















4-1 More SOUL On Wednesday, we were in the beautiful city of Tulum, Quintana Roo. Pastor Miguel Angel and his congregation received us so warmly, and the presence of God was so beautiful in that place. 15 people prayed to receive Christ for the first time when the invitation was given!

On Thursday, we had the privilege to participate in a Women's Retreat in a town outside of Cancun where over 2500 women were gathered from the whole state of Quintana Roo to worship and receive the Word of God! The Lord was glorified, and we are so thankful we could be a part in what He is doing in that region!

On our final ministry day, we were with Pastor Jorge Perez and his congregation where we have ministered several times before. It is always a blessing when you make a lasting connection with other members of the body of Christ! The music was well-received, and brother David Roblero preached a message directed toward the fathers, as Father's Day was coming up on Sunday. The Holy Spirit moved in hearts and lives, and 17 people received Christ for the first time that evening! In total, we were privileged to pray with 139 precious souls for salvation! Glory to God!!!

I can't tell you how wonderful it was for me to have my family with me this time. To see the next generation serving the Lord faithfully and with all their hearts is so humbling and fulfilling! I am so grateful!

For Mission Trip #111, my wife Lisa joined me, and we teamed up with Grace Works Alaska ministry under the leadership of Dr. Scott Kirby. We spent the week of June 23 – June 30 in Anchorage working with Grace Works in their daily park ministry from Monday through Friday. The weather was incredibly beautiful during the days we were there! We understand that it has rained in the summer for the last few years, but God held it off while we were there so that many, many children, parents, and grandparents could hear the message of the Gospel and see the love of God lived out in front of them! We thank God for Dr. Kirby and his amazing staff and volunteers and many teams who come from all over the U.S. to minister to the needs of the communities in Alaska! The report that came from Grace Works is that there were 14 first-time decisions for Christ during the week. But only God knows how many people may have actually received Christ and maybe didn't tell someone from the teams. The fact is that His Word went out clearly every day, and it never returns void!

On Saturday and Sunday, Lisa and I were able to sing and preach in 3 different churches around the Anchorage area. It was so humbling to be able to encourage our Alaskan brothers and sisters in their faith and to motivate them to continue to fulfill the Great Commission. The pastor of one of the churches is a missionary to Alaska from El Salvador! Pastor Rod and his wife were very encouraging to our faith as we heard about their missionary work in Africa in the Saharan Desert previously and now their work in Alaska. They told us about the deep spiritual darkness in Alaska and the fact that there are 100 villages in Alaska that do not have the Gospel at all! We are so thankful that because of your support, we could pray with 15 people for salvation on Sunday! Some of these people were refugees from Venezuela! It's so incredible how God has "come to seek and save that which was lost!"

We are truly grateful for all of you, for your continued support not only in prayer but financially as well. Without you we couldn't do what we do. Our hearts are full, and we look forward to the next mission trip coming up this month in LaPaz, Baja California, Mexico.

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