

Sunset Missions Connection

While the pandemic is driving a new normal across the country and around the globe, we are seeing how “*God works all things together for good to those who love him and are called according to his purpose.*” After a nearly three year hiatus from in-person gatherings, this quarter, we catch up with our missionaries in their own words as they share the excitement of new graduates and converts in Recife, a pastor with passion in spreading the gospel in Costa Rica and catch up with a missionary resuming his annual visit to the remote areas of India. Missionaries across the globe are creatively embracing new means of spreading the gospel. Once again, we see God’s presence and His desire to use every opportunity to fulfill His purpose in drawing souls to Him.

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Recife, Brazil, reported by Mike and Josh Pruitt-Missionaries

April marked the beginning of the new in-person classes at the School of the Bible in Recife. With restrictions slowly being relaxed in the state, this is the first time classes took place without a mask



mandate in effect. Before beginning this new period of classes, we handed out certificates to our graduating students. This marks the first

graduation since re-opening of the School of the Bible after the Pandemic; in-person courses at the building have resumed and due to some restrictions, six different courses with small class sizes have been offered on Saturdays. It is a great blessing to be able to see our students smiles and interact with them “face-to-face.” So far, 64 students have enrolled.

Our hearts are filled with joy as we witness people surrendering their lives to Christ. They come into



contact with the School of the Bible in different ways, but the result of God’s work is the same: being born again. One new convert, Solange, started coming with her husband who was

attending courses at the School of the Bible. During the pandemic, she continued studying the Bible with our professors through online Bible studies.

She resumed attending courses at the School of the Bible this year, always questioning to better understand the Word of God. Finally, after attending church services on Sunday and hearing a compelling sermon, she decided to give her life to Christ. God is awesome! *Check out more news from the Pruitt’s at <https://www.redeemingrecife.org/>*

Mexican town Church of Christ, report by Javier Cuarezma:

Isabel and I traveled to Costa Rica and stayed there from January 25th to April 20th. We delivered Bible teaching and counseling on Marriage at the Paso Ancho Church of Christ in San Jose. The lessons were followed by dinner and fellowship. I served as the guest speaker for several churches during our stay in Costa Rica. Also during my stay I did a lot of fixing to the house that I inherited from my parents in Costa Rica.

This past May the **Great Lakes Spanish Lectureship**



took place in Alexandria, Cold Spring, Kentucky

at the Summit Church of Christ facilities. The attendance was 520 Spanish members of the Church of Christ from several cities around the Great Lakes area and also Florida, North Carolina, Georgia etc. I was the speaker along with Francisco Rada from Brownsville, Texas and Paulina Lux from New York delivered the lesson for the ladies. In 2023 our Lectureship will take place in West Palm Beach, Florida.

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The Church in Mexican town is doing well. Hillel Peralta from Chilpancingo, Mexico has been preaching for the congregation. Hillel graduated from the School of preaching DEL CENTRO, Queretaro, Mexico in 2010. Our attendance every Sunday morning is improving with an average of



attendance of twenty and Wednesday Bible Study averaging six participants. We are currently planning an Evangelistic outreach 8/12/22-8/14/22. Please pray for the success of the outreach effort to open more hearts to accept Christ as their savior. **Check out Javier's latest report under missions at the Sunset website. Feel free to reach out to Javier at the following: Address : Javier Cuarezma, 2133 Junction Street, Detroit, MI 48209**

India Evangelism reported by Harry Summers missionary- White Hall Church of Christ, WV

Lord willing, I will be leaving for my annual missionary journey to India on June 20th. Because of the Covid Pandemic, it has been two years since I was able to make the trip, but finally the Indian government is allowing travelers to enter their country again. As always, this trip will be about visually verifying the proper use of all funds donated by our generous contributors to the work. I will also be holding our native missionaries accountable for the work that they have been reporting to us since my last visit. I will be inspecting our orphanage, the care of our sixty-five true orphans are receiving and reviewing the records of how the funds that we are sending each month are being used. I will be speaking numerous times in a three-day lectureship, teaching for three days in our preacher training school, participating in the graduation of 15 of our preacher training school students, and I am scheduled to preach a one-service Gospel meeting at twenty-four different congregations in three states. With money you have contributed, I will purchase four motorcycles for our native missionaries, fifteen bicycles for the preacher training school graduates, one thousand Telegu or Tamil Bibles, one thousand Telegu song books, and purchase a change of clothing for all widows and widowers in some village congregation of

the church. I am supposed to return on July 13th. I covet your prayers for my safety while I'm in India. I will be doing a lot of travelling on dangerous highways and there are many other health hazards I am praying to avoid while there. I will turn 74 years old while I'm in India. I was 36 when I started working in India and I have made many, many trips since then but it's harder on an old guy than it was when I was in my prime. I want to say to all the contributing congregations and individuals that you will be there with me in this great work. God is being glorified because of your generous and sacrificial giving to this mission program. Nothing that is being accomplished by our ministry would be possible if it were not for you. And by the way, 225 new converts have been reported through March of 2022. God is at work thanks to servants like you at Sunset!

Other Mission updates, Don't Forget!!



We're collecting juice boxes and granola bars. Please place all donations in the box in the foyer marked Shults-Lewis by 7/3/22.

2022 GOAL: 225 M.A.G.I Boxes

Socks, shirts, flip flops, coloring toothpaste/brushes, small etc. Assembling begins in August. Connect with Judy Krapohl. **We can Make A Godly Impact!**



Items Needed:

books, crayons, toys, combs,

To donate to missions, write a check to Sunset Church of Christ or donate online w/Missions as the designation.

Prayer Requests:

- Mexican town Church- Search for pastoral leader as the Cuarezma's plan for retirement.
- Church at Recife, Brazil- Graduates of the School of the Bible, Recently Ordained Elders & New Converts
- Shults-Lewis - Additional Staff Needs, the physical and spiritual growth of the children
- India Evangelism- Physical and spiritual wellbeing of Harry Summers as he travels to India, the Church, staff, orphans and new converts
- Bibles for China - safe distribution of Bibles
- Orphans Lifeline International- grant each orphan and caregiver peace and open hearts to accept the gospel
- M.A.G.I Box Collection- Fulfilment of goal- 225 boxes
- Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort Inc.- Volunteers, Donations, Families impacted by recent disasters



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