



## Missionaries in Central America



# Perdomo Family

### Social and Spiritual help in Nicaragua

Gabriel is one of Doris' nephews. He lives in Managua, Nicaragua. He has heard about our trips to participate in medical and dental brigades with the help of friends from Clearbranch Methodist Church in Alabama. This year he asked us for the opportunity to be part of the project. He said "I will help with evangelism, and you don't need to give me anything else".

That was accepted, so we made him part of the team of Americans and Nicaraguans which participated in this fruitful and blessed ministry. This year, we celebrated 5 years of doing this brigades. So far, the doctors have seen more than 1000 patients each trip, and the number of people saved reaches more than 100 on average. That means that we have ministered to more than 5000 people and some 500 people have been saved as a result of this effort over the years. Besides those encouraging numbers, we have built a wonderful friendship with all the members of the team. Praise the Lord!

Gabriel was able to share a lot with everybody, and he testified that the camaradery and friendship was a blessing for him. He had the privilege to lead several people to the Lord, participating in evangelism with Clearbranch pastor and volunteers from local churches.

Doris and Kyrien were in charge of singing with the children and teaching the word of God, as well as doing crafts. The Lord has blessed us with these wonderful opportunities to share about His love and mercy. Many people have been blessed, with this ministry, including new friends like Gabriel. Praise His Holy name!

## Pray for us...

For Alan's PhD. studies. He has completed half of the program.

For Doris' decision of keep working or not at a local Christian School.

Alan decided to leave the ministry at the Christian School that he was helping. Pray for the school, and for Alan's ministry.

For our constant enthusiasm in ministry and in our life

For the coming presidential elections in Honduras this November.



Gabriel leading a young man to the Lord



The group of pastors in the Island of Amapala



Pastors in the shade discussing Revitalization

### Embers Conference as part of the MBI

As you may remember, World Reach started again the Bible Institute classes in Honduras. In preparation for a new era, we are currently teaching our graduates in order to prepare teachers for future MBI classes. They asked us if would it be possible for us to teach the Embers to a Flame Church Revitalization Conference as a class. Alabama's Briarwood Presbyterian Church agreed, so Bobby Wilson and Alan Perdomo went to Langue and Amapala to teach that encouraging and vital study.

There were 31 students. One of them, was brother Antonio, who pastors in a small village 8 hours away from Langue. He asked us to pray for his ministry of church planting in a remote area. He and another student walk for three hours and traveled by boat for another four to get to the location of one church plant. He shared that the Catholic priest asked them to preach the Gospel "that the evangelicals preach". He said, "I know that is what we need". What a story! What commitment! There is no doubt, that this class was very helpful for our students, but it was a great privilege for us to know these faithful and passionate pastors. Please, pray for them, and for our Bible Institute.

## Kyrien finishes her sixth grade

Yep! She is now leaving Elementary and getting ready to enter Middle School. She finished with good grades. How fast the years go by! We are grateful because Kyrien is a wonderful, sweet and servicial young lady. This summer, she will be participating in a VBS at our church.



Our sweet Kyrien Eleisha

## Kristian advances in college

After a lot of prayer and research, finally Kristian is enrolled in a good college in San Pedro Sula, two hours away from home. He is pursuing a career in Electronics Engineering. He stays with Alan's mom five blocks from college, which is very convenient. He is enjoying his studies and so far he is getting good grades and is appreciated by his classmates and teachers. He attends a good church which teaches the Bible. He is also studying the Bible as part of a youth ministry program.

Please, pray for him as he enters a new world, with new friends and activities. We trust him, but you know how the world is becoming now, so we need to support him spiritually.

## A difficult decision

Four years ago, Dorys decided to work part time in a local Christian School as a Counselor. This time has been wonderful in opportunities to serve the children and their parents. But now, she needs to decide if the time has come to change this ministry. The opportunities are there, but at the same time, Dorys wants to pursue a ministry of writing materials for churches. Please, help her pray for difficult decision that needs to be made this next June.

## Advances in PhD. studies

When Alan decided to start his PhD. in Theological Education studies, he knew, it would be difficult...but no this much. After three semesters of classes, he thinks it is just for the grace of God that he has been able to complete his assignments and research. In fact, he has witnessed three of his classmates leave the program so far.

In spite of that, it has been encouraging to read his professors' evaluation of his work. One of them said: "Usually, your job is the last one that I review, since it is the one that most challenges me". Another one wrote: "You make your classmates to improve their theological reflection". Praise the Lord for that.

Alan has three semesters more of classes and then, he needs to write a doctoral dissertation. He is thinking about writing an analysis of the missions and educational methods used by the first missionaries who came to Latin America. This next July he will be in Guatemala to start his fourth semester of studies. Please, pray for physical, emotional and intellectual strenght to continue.



Alan's classmates in his PhD. studies



Alan teaching a class to a group of youth leaders

## Teaching with 5 denominations

This past November, a leader of the Association of Pastors in San Pedro Sula contacted Alan to explore the possibility of him teaching a Diploma program for youth leaders in that city. He said: "We need someone we know that will teach us the Bible, and not denominational controversies, because we represent different churches. So, we are asking you (Alan), and only you to be the instructor of such a training program". Of course, those words were humbling for Alan, who saw this as a wonderful opportunity to expand the ministry and train leaders from other churches in Honduras.

After several meetings, prayer and planning, Alan designed a 9 courses program to be studied in over a year. So far, three classes have been taught. There are leaders from 5 different denominations; from Baptists to Reformed, Methodists, Menonnites and Pentecostals. The students are very excited and heve responded in a wonderful way to Alan's teaching. One of them, a young lady called Jessica said to him: "Please, don't stop teaching us. We need this. The Bible has been denied to us for too long".

Some of the classes have been "The Leader and His Life in Christ", "How to Interpret the Bible" and "Youth Ministry and Culture". A great relationship is being built between Alan and the group of students. Please pray for Alan and the students, so that they can persevere in this training program. By the way, one of the students in Kristian, our son. That's an extra blessing from the Lord.