

Merry Christmas

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The last trimester of 2023 has been intense here in El Salvador. October is the month we celebrate children. We began the month with a celebration in our church. The theme was "Let the children come to me." It was a great day at Family of Faith. We had family activities, games, food, and of course the most important part, sharing the Word of God.

Complete success. Later in the month we had two children's activities for kids with special needs. We held this at the church facilities and once again

we had the opportunity to preach the Gospel to the parents who were in attendance. My dream became reality as I saw the church being used as a community center to bless those around us and to serve as a refuge for those in need. On Sunday afternoons we are having sports activities for the kids and trying to invite the families to foster relationships between parents and their children. We also preach the Gospel. Glory to God.

Taking advantage of the festivities



In the community Haciendo Vieja, we also celebrated Children's Day. We had about 90 kids in attendance and they were accompanied by their parents. It was a success, thanks to the generosity of the brothers and sisters who donated toys and snacks. I was able to share about the love of Jesus with all.

In the community of El Tigre, near the border with Guatemala, I was able to hand out Bibles to the kids and encouraged them to continue in their walk with Christ.

A November full of adventures

As a church we are encouraging each other to spend time together, and to invite those we know to get to know our city. We have taken several hikes. The first hike was a mountain right in front of our church. We see it all the time, but we have never hiked up it. It was a lot of fun. The second hike we had was to a famous lookout in the city.

We were tired, but we fulfilled our goal to hike it. I want to point out that in times past, we could not have hiked these places because of how dangerous it has been here in El Salvador. I want to thank you for praying for us, I have always asked you to pray for the country, for our safety. God is answering. We feel so much safer.

Looking ahead

December has been too short for all the preparations I have to make for the medical team arriving in January from Indiana. I have had many meetings with pastors to present to them this project, and have visited many interested communities. God is opening doors for us as we continue to proclaim His name wherever we go. Please pray for this activity.

Peace to the world, a Savior is born!

Merry Christmas to all. May this be a blessed time with your families. May God fill you with blessings in the new year to come.

Thank you for your prayers for me during 2023, I have seen the hand of God throughout the year.

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