



Taking Christ to the Nations

# Happy New Year from the Mejías!

Serving God in Honduras

## Lessons from the manger

In Honduras and the rest of Latin America at Christmas time, it is very common for people to decorate their homes with lights and many ornaments. A central element of Christmas decorations is the "nativity scene". This is a miniature scale representation of what people imagine the place where Jesus was born to be like. People place small figures of animals, Joseph, Mary, and the baby Jesus in it. The nativity scenes are truly works of art, but are far from depicting reality. The places where people kept their animals were usually not very tidy and were probably very smelly due to the accumulation of animal excrement and other waste. What a place to be born! And it was there that the Savior of the world chose to be born. Jesus and his peculiar place to be born shows us that one of his main character traits was humility. Not only was Jesus' birth characterized by this virtue, but his whole life was also marked by simplicity. No one could have imagined that a dark and smelly manger would hold the Light of the world. How much there is for us to learn from the manger! I hope that our celebrations of Jesus' birth were marked by simplicity, may we imitate Jesus in his humility, and may we remember that we can find Him in the least expected places.





These are some of our activities in the last months of 2024:

## Mission trip to Guatemala

Together with World Reach missionary, Brad Taylor and his wife Colleen, Abner traveled to Guatemala (very close to the Mexican border) to teach a group of indigenous brothers from that area. Dr. Taylor taught the Church Planting class and Abner taught the Doctrine of Salvation class. This was a long trip with some setbacks, but through it all, we saw the way God cared for us and blessed us.

## Dental health campaign

Alisson applied fluoride to more than 100 children from the public school. These are the children we work with throughout the year through the Bible Club. We believe that this small contribution to the children's dental health can make a significant difference in the lives of these little ones. Most importantly, each of them has received an effective testimony of God's love.



## Bible School for Leaders and Mobile Bible Institute

By God's grace, next year we will start with the Bible School for Leaders in two different locations in Honduras. This is a great opportunity to continue training leaders and strengthening local churches. It is very likely that we will also start a Mobile Bible Institute in the southern part of Honduras.

### Lectures and preaching

Abner has traveled to different rural communities to teach the Word of God through conferences and preaching. The small Christian communities in Honduras are very fervent and eager to hear what God has to say to them.



## PRAYER REQUESTS:

- For health, that God will keep us healthy in this new year so that we can take good care of our family & fulfill all of our ministry commitments.
- For the health of Alisson's mom & cousin who are battling cancer, that God will show His grace throughout the process.
- For Ian Andres, that he may successfully finish sixth grade.
- For Ellie Sophia, that she may continue to grow healthy and strong.
- For blessings on the new sites where the training for pastors & leaders will begin; that God will protect & keep us during the trips we will have to make there.
- For more open doors to continue ministering to the Lord's church & reaching out to those who do not yet know Him.
- For economic provision for our family & ministry in Honduras.



Would you partner to provide the support we must raise for the mission of World Reach to serve in Honduras?

- Go to world-reach.org/donate to give once or set up monthly recurring gifts under the campaign for "Mejia"
- Make a check payable to World Reach and mail to the address below with a note indicating your preference for supporting "Mejia ministry"

As a family we are very grateful to God for the life of every one of you. Thank you for being our prayer partners & for your financial support to World Reach. You are instruments used by the Lord for the expansion of His Kingdom in Honduras and beyond.

In the Love of Christ, Abner, Alisson, Ian Andres, and Ellie Sophia

