



Fruit to your account

(in these past three months)

Souls saved - 175

Baptisms - 12

In active discipleship - 19

FOLLOWING THE FRIDENSTINES

JULIO 2023



We have been so excited to keep the focus on souls and missions during these past three months and God is giving the fruit because of following His Word and keeping His priorities.

We have had two huge public school events in towns just outside of our city. One in the town of Monte San Juan and another in San Ramón. On both occasions we have been able to preach to several hundred children and teens, and see dozens receive Christ in each location. There has been open hearts and the students are very respectful and receptive to hearing the Word of God.

We are continuing with faithful follow-up to those who responded to Christ, trying to do our best to get them into church although the parents are very opposed to that in many occasions. However, we know that God will continue to work in hearts and sometimes the fruit comes years later, but the impact is still there. We just have to keep praying, inviting and loving!

This past Sunday, we celebrated the fourteenth anniversary of Iglesia Bautista Emanuel. God has been so good. Our focus was not big promotions, food or gifts. Instead it was on the goodness of God and loving His church. We had 233 in attendance and saw 12 baptized, 4 receive Christ, several first time visitors and an amazing spirit.

We "celebrated" in our Sunday School classes after the main service. In that atmosphere there was joy, food, fellowship, laughter and new friendships made. God is good.

Our family will celebrate twelve years of being here on the field of Cojutepeque, El Salvador next month (August). The time has passed so quickly. We have so much more that we want to do for the cause of Christ.

We were able to have wonderful Men's and Ladies' Retreats over the last two months. Both retreats (although they were separate events on separate dates) took place at the same location. I can honestly say that they were probably the BEST retreats that we have ever had. The spirit of learning was rich and the love and teamwork among the group was so sweet.

We feel like our church is maturing and getting ready for God to explode with more growth very soon. Our people are thinking about and loving souls; they are witnessing for Christ and loving people; they are excited for any outreach opportunity; they are welcoming visitors - they are being REAL Christians.

Any victory in the Lord's work does not come without spiritual warfare, but God is bigger. Please be in prayer for us as we go forward for Christ. Here are a few financial needs that are heavy on our hearts. Please pray with us for God's provision and wisdom in how to use His money for His work in His way:

- With the inflation of many products and minimum wage changes, the simple monthly budget, especially in the school, is a challenge. Praying.
- We have a leaking roof as we enter rainy season - God has provided for one section (\$8,000), praying for the other section (\$6,000) so we can do it as one project. Praying.
- Our school court needs netting and a roof so that we do not keep losing our balls to the neighbors and have shade for the students. Praying.
- Trying to be wise with our transportation for the ministry - want to sell our big bus and get a more economical, easy to maneuver (fits on the streets) truck to haul people and things. Praying.



David and David enjoying the ministry in Boaco, Nicaragua

2 Timothy 2:2 - "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." Investing in others brings forth fruit after time. That is exactly what we are seeing in Boaco, Nicaragua. Walter and Mayra Menjivar (sent out of our church last year) now have a solid group of faithful attenders, several that have been baptized and in discipleship and a great spirit.

We have had the privilege of sending several of our interns over to help them for several weeks as well as a church family. They are truly being a blessing to one another as everyone grows in ministry and serving the Lord.

It is not always easy, but we love training these young people / interns for ministry. They are having some great, real experiences and learning along the way. We are so excited about seeing what God is going to do with them in the future.



Celebrating 60 years in the Christian School

Thank you for loving our family and supporting the work that God is doing in Cojutepeque. We love and are praying for you,

the Adam Fridenstine Family



Alex leading a public school High School student to Christ