

Alcanzando a Panama para Cristo



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Greetings from the tropics of Panamá.

When Panamá opened after pandemic, we started door to door visiting from one end of our district to the other end. God has blessed our efforts. This year we have started all over again. Looking forward to seeing more fruit for Christ. In 2023 God provided for us to buy a used bus for our bus routes. Our attendance has been running over 200 weekly and now we are seeing the need for yet another vehicle. To God be the glory for what He is doing in Dolega.

Both my wife and I were invited to teach at two different local Bible institutes. We enjoy the opportunity to have a part of teaching the next generation. Please pray for both institutes as they continue to train the future.

We also had the opportunity to preach/teach at churches off one of the coasts of Panamá. We were able to make multiple trips to different areas. We are looking forward to seeing what God has in store for the coasts of Panamá. We know of at least one new church that will be starting 2024/2025.

December: We had the opportunity to go to Calovébora, off the northern coast of Veraguas. We were a group of almost 30 people.. Joel DeGracia, a graduate student from one of the institutes we teach at, will be starting a new work in 2025. We had access to teach the school students during the day and preach to the community at night. Praise the Lord for those who inquired how to go to Heaven. We witnessed many who made the decision to trust Christ to be their Saviour. We also were able to gift Christmas presents to the kids of the area.

January: through the beginning of March are our summer months. So far last month we have had a national Fires of Evangelism Conference, summer softball league has started, and weddings.

February, I was invited to preach Youth Camp. What a great time. God spoke to hearts. There were two young ladies struggling with salvation and they came forward to get it settled. The last night of preaching, there were at least 21 come forward to show that they had made some type of decision throughout the week. The theme was "The path that we have forgotten". Many made decisions to get back on the right path. Praise God!

We also held our Vacation Bible School in February. We had an overall attendance of a little over 170. Through the week we spoke with over 50 kids, and they made the decision to ask Christ to be their Saviour. The Sunday following we had Diploma Sunday, we handed out approximately 100 diplomas to those who attended at least three days of VBS.

We are excited to announce a new building project. We have our blueprints ready to start building on two more classrooms and a bathroom. This project will cost approximately \$25,000.00. Please pray for God to provide the funds. If you would like to give towards this project, you can let us know, or you can send a check to Northwest Bible Baptist Church and write in the memo: Construction Rafael Rodriguez Panama.

We also have other projects on the board for 2024 that we are praying to accomplish.

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