



# CROSSVISION MISSIONS

## JANUARY 2007 UPDATE

### WORSHIP! CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD.

**“A TIME IS COMING AND HAS NOW COME WHEN THE TRUE WORSHIPERS WILL WORSHIP THE FATHER IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH, FOR THEY ARE THE KIND OF WORSHIPERS THE FATHER SEEKS.” (JOHN 4:23)**

Worship Him with your very all is what this verse says. I know a man who every morning gets up so that he might kneel and thank the Lord for another day to worship Him in all that he does that day. His life affects others because he lives to worship Christ who lives in him. This year in the life of CrossVision we have focused on worshipping God with our all. The annual family Christmas trip was truly a four-day worship service. Oswald Chambers wrote, “Worshiping is giving God the best that He has given you.” He goes on to note, “God will never allow you to keep a spiritual blessing completely for yourself. It must be given back to Him so that He can make it a blessing to others.” As I began to pray and prepare for this trip, all the way back at the conclusion of our 2005 Christmas trip, God began to show me His desire for our true and spiritual worship. I must first share with you how God cleared and made the way for every church and every person who came on this trip. Please do not think the devil and his army were asleep and just missed our passage. No, he tried in many ways to cause many to stumble and to confuse us all but God and His band of mighty angels surrounded this whole team that consisted of 14 churches from four states in the U.S. and 3 churches from Mexico. Some 27 separate vehicles including two large buses and two airplanes traveled over a holiday weekend; all without even the hint of trouble. God’s protection is sure. The return home was just as uneventful although some had to go a longer path.

On the first day after arriving in Piedras Negras, we held our first worship service in which we committed to make our every action a point of worship to the Lord. I can wholeheartedly tell you: we did! When you are focused on worshipping, all the little things remain little and God is the only big thing present. But lo and behold, who do think received the blessing? We did! God and His glory were in and through every fiber of this team. He and He alone can save the lost and He used His children to do that. Yes, children (some as young as 10 years old and others as old as 70) held CD players or turned the cubes, interceded in prayer and knocked on doors. And God did! He saved the lost: well over 400 adults made professions of faith and during VBS, some 200 children indicated they prayed for the first time to receive Christ. We really do not focus on numbers but we write cards on every person who prays to receive Christ; in the follow-up visits, we returned the next day with a gift of a Bible and an invitation to attend the church or a local Bible study. Just like Jesus said, these are the worshipers the Father seeks. He found us in Piedras Negras and He will find us in our homes if we only practice worship in our all.

Some think, “Well, the trip is over, back to the old grind stone,” but I want you to know God is still working in many of the lives of folks who served on this team. I know of at least three who have surrendered to ministry and one man who has led two Hispanics in his community to the Lord as a direct result of God changing his life while on this mission trip. Many others are sharing their testimonies and encouraging friends to come to church and live for Christ. Not one of the 14 churches that went on the trip are the same after their missionaries got home.

2006 is history and just as Christ promised in Luke 6:38 God has given us a good measure; pressed down, shaken together and running over we have received His great blessings. I will soon be sending everyone who has sent me their mailing address a summary of the whole year 2006 along with news of some exciting doors that God has opened to us. And I would be remiss if I failed to tell all of you who pray for us that we feel and know you are praying. Please do not stop; you and your prayers are the glue that holds us together and it is truly your prayers that cause God to choose and claim this ministry as His own. I pray that your 2007 will be overflowing with God’s rich blessings.

In Christ Hermano Glen (Romans 1:16)

### ***Special Praises:***

- † Praise and thank God for His grace, upon which we are completely dependant.
- † Praise God for He alone is holy.
- † Praise God for He alone is righteous.
- † Thank God for Pastor Israel Rodriguez and the members of PIB in Piedras Negras. They hosted the Christmas team and many worked with us on the streets and in VBS they accepted us and made us members of their church family.
- † Thank God for the many lives God has changed this year on both sides of the border.
- † Praise God for His love that compels CrossVision to keep going and serving and many of you to support us through prayer, giving, and going so that we at CrossVision can truly be faithful to our Lord.
- † Thank God for all of our missionaries who serve the Lord here and throughout the world.

### ***Immediate Prayer Requests:***

- † **Please, please continue to pray** for Primera Iglesia Bautista in Piedras Negras as they seek out those who accepted Christ and begin to disciple them.
- † Pray for Israel Rodriguez as he leads this church to become an Act 1:8 Church.
- † Pray for missionaries Gary, Lily and Will Stone as they serve in Guatemala and among the indigenous people of Central America.
- † Pray for missionaries Roger, Melinda and Kyle Russell and their sons living in the U.S.
- † Please pray for the missionaries serving in hostile lands and secluded places. Remember many of those will have birthdays during this month
- † Remember Ephesians 6:18 says, “Always pray for all the saints,” so please pray for each other.
- † Please pray for the CrossVision Ministry that God will keep us in His hand and choose to continue to use us in the lives of others, as well as surround us with those whose lives He has changed.
- † Please pray about being a part of the ministry of CrossVision—we depend upon the gifts of individuals, like yours, to continue ministering.
- † Please pray for Glen Pierce and his family.

We would love to invite you to visit our web site at [www.crossvisionmissions.org](http://www.crossvisionmissions.org) .  
Send us your prayer request and let us hear your testimony of how God is working in your life.

I hope these updates encourage you to pray—if so, please let me know by emailing me at [crossvision@sbcglobal.net](mailto:crossvision@sbcglobal.net) .

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