

CROSSVISION MISSIONS

JUNE/JULY UPDATE

“COMMIT YOUR WAY TO THE LORD, TRUST ALSO IN HIM AND HE SHALL BRING IT TO PASS.” (PSALMS 37:5)

How many of you have learned that God often gives you a view from a distance of His work and then begins the process of making what you have seen in your heart's eye a reality? In 1998 when God first gave a small group of four men the vision of a ministry to assist churches in fulfilling the Great Commission, none of us realized where this would take us or the difficulties that we would encounter. More importantly, we did not understand the blessings that following the vision would bring. Whenever Satan tempts us to give up on the vision, we run back to this promise found in the book of Psalms.

While God has blessed in many ways over the past month, I just want to share one testimony of how God has worked in one family and their church. This testimony is one example of how God has made the vision he gave CrossVision a reality, and it has been my joy to watch Him work in the same way in many, many lives. This past Christmas Larry and Christie Johnson and their children, Clint and Lana, came on their very first mission trip. I remember how afraid they were the first time I spoke with them. Their son wanted to go with his best friend, and because this was a family oriented trip God used that ministry focus to draw the whole family onto the mission field together. Little did they know that their first opportunity to share Christ and the gospel would forever change their relationship with our Lord. While witnessing door to door they met seventy five year old grandmother, Victoria. As they shared the gospel through the evangecube and the translator, God's work of saving souls and using obedient servants like themselves was made perfectly clear. Victoria's prayer to receive Christ into her life would cause a spark in the heart of the Johnson's that would grow into a flaming fire and a passion to see their church begin to go on mission with God.

Upon their return home they immediately began laying the ground work for a future mission trip. A few weeks ago they were again on mission—this time in a different location doing a completely different type of work. On this trip God gave them a greater understanding of how He loves the church, and Victoria was heavy on their hearts. They felt compelled to visit her and find out how she had progressed, so they made the one hour drive and surprised Victoria with a visit. Victoria was elated and began to share all that God had done for her. The Johnson's had given her a CD player and an Evangecube, and she had used it to lead many of her family to the Lord. Primera Iglesia Bautista in Piedras Negras had indeed followed up with her and she and her family had joined the church mission not far from her home. Wow! What a demonstration of the reality of the vision, “The kingdom **IS** built in the streets by those who are willing to leave the palace!”

“We are moving forward on our knees”

In Christ, Hermano Glen

Special Praises:

- ✝ Praise and thank God for His grace, upon which we are completely dependant.
- ✝ Praise God for He alone is holy and righteous.
- ✝ Praise God for the salvation of Victoria and much of her family in Piedras Negras.
- ✝ Thank God Israel Rodriguez and PIB in Piedras Negras and the fruit of their labor.
- ✝ Thank God for the vision and the many lives He has already changed and the many others He will change.
- ✝ Praise God for calling our families to serve him on mission.
- ✝ Praise God for a wonderful harvest of souls by the Saint Andrew Baptist team while evangelizing in the rural areas of Brazil.
- ✝ Thank God for Misty Bridges and the women's team and how God used them in the life of the women of PIB in Acuna, Mexico.
- ✝ Praise God for all that He accomplished through the Friendly Baptist team that served with Roger and Melinda Russell in Romania.
- ✝ Thank God for Mark & Heidi Evans safe return to Australia.
- ✝ 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:

- ✝ Pray for all our churches to become Acts 1:8 churches.
- ✝ Please pray for the following teams serving with CrossVision over the next few weeks.
 1. First Baptist Church, Mixon, TX and PIB in Monclova, MX -July 23 to 28
 2. First Baptist Church, Garfield, Ark and Morelos, MX -July 30 to Aug 3rd
 3. Lone star Baptist church and El Salom in Acuna, MX -July 30 to Aug 3rd
 4. Saint Andrew Baptist youth and Nueva Rosita, MX -August 6 to 11
- ✝ Pray for missionaries Gary, Lily and Will Stone serving in Guatemala. Please lift up Gary's brother Steve as he recovers from a major surgery.
- ✝ Pray for missionaries Roger and Melinda Russell serving in Romania.
- ✝ Pray for Mark, Heidi and Emma Evans as they continue their work in Australia.
- ✝ Please pray for the missionaries serving in hostile lands and secluded places. Remember many of those will spend birthdays, anniversaries and other special occasions alone 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 .
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 .

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