

Guatemala March 12, 2023

Dear brothers and sisters: As always, Martha and I send you our greetings from this mission field, where God has placed us to take man to heaven.

I recently read in one of the many biographies of President Kennedy this story that struck me, they say it is true: in 1961 President Kennedy visited NASA and greeted all the people who were there. He greeted the computer scientists, the space engineers, the financiers, he greeted them and said "hi, I'm President Kennedy, what is your job here?" He suddenly found himself with a person who was cleaning in one of the corridors, this person had his broom in hand and was diligently cleaning. The president greeted him and said "Hello, I'm President Kennedy, what is your job here?" The man who cleaned replied "My job here is to help man reach the moon" The president was impressed!

The same goes for all of us: all of us help all of humanity get to heaven!

What is the lesson of this story? That all of us contribute more than we imagine, and through your support we all do something bigger than we think!. That all of us belong to something bigger and more transcendent than we think, which is nothing less than achieving God's dream: **SAVE HUMANITY**

So again, thanks to all of you for being a part of what we are passionate about: take humanity to heaven!

As we always tell you, the months of January and February are months of "beginnings" for us. The cycle in Kyrios and in BICA ends at the beginning of December and then the new cycle begins the first week of January. We report to you that everything has started well, thank God.

In Kyrios we are serving in 2023 exactly 918 children of the poorest in our community. It is a real challenge!



I want to share with you a story that shows that we are reaching the goal with the Kyrios school -which means "Lord" in Greek-. It is the story of Reyna Elizabeth. When we need more teachers at the school, in January we make an announcement on social media. I had to interview several teachers and see if their profile fits our vision. Reyna came to her interview and when I told her: "I want to tell you about the vision of this school", Reyna immediately told me: "oh, I know it very well. It is to help educate the poorest children in the community and teach them the love of Jesus" I was surprised and said: "how do you know?" she replied: because I am one of those girls reached by this vision. After studying through 9th grade at Kyrios in 2012, Reyna got a part-time job as a cashier at a small store, continued studying until graduating as a school teacher, and now she teaches the Spanish class at Kyrios Junior High! We give all the glory to God! Thanks to all of you, because your support and each prayer contributes to many stories like Reyna Elizabeth's!



**I present to you Reyna Elizabeth**

Nice and not very nice things have happened to us in these first 8 weeks in Kyrios. I'll share the beautiful ones first:

1. Thank the entire Vannoy family for their very generous donation of the property where the church in Pinares will build the new junior high school building. Thank you thank you very much. You did the most difficult, now we will make the effort to build. We believe that with this new building we will be sending each year an average of 150 young people prepared and educated to find their first job just like Reyna did. Thank you again family! The construction of this new building is progressing very well. Miky our deacon and builder does an excellent job. Also volunteer brothers donate their time to work. We ask for your prayers. We believe that the construction will take us at least a year.



2. In January we had the pleasant visit of James Glasscock, whom we invited to preach the evangelistic nights in the annual campaign of the church in Pinares and BICA. As always James did an excellent job. There were 2 souls baptized during the evangelistic campaign, and in the following week 9 more were added to the body of Christ. Glory to God. Thanks James!



3. Now something a little sad that we had to live in February. Unfortunately, the situation of violence continues to affect the country. In February, the preschool coordinator Fabiola received an extortion call. They threatened her that if she did not pay, they would kill her. A couple of weeks later, Lisseth - the Junior High coordinator- also received calls of the same nature. Both cases were prayed for and we also presented the cases to the police. The police are watching the school and the calls have stopped, however the coordinators got pretty scared. We ask your prayers for them and for the students please.

Results of January:

- Evangelistic Campaign in Pinares 11 baptisms
- Weekend evangelistic work with 15 small churches, by BICA 39 baptisms
- Baptisms reported in 14 churches of the program “Eastern Guatemala for the Lord” 37

Results of February:

- Evangelistic Campaign in Downtown CHOC 16 baptisms
- Weekend evangelistic work with 15 small churches, by BICA 44 baptisms
- Baptisms reported in 16 churches of the program “Eastern Guatemala for the Lord” 24

To the glory of God, the harvest in January and February has already been **171 baptisms!**  
We couldn't do it without you! We ask for your prayers for the 73 churches planted in eastern Guatemala.



The shortage of food for many continues to be a big problem in Guatemala, at the moment more than everything is due to the fact that food prices have already risen 63% more compared to 2022. We have seen this reflected in our program of give food to the poorest The bags of food to feed 5 people in a family for two weeks, have gone up from \$20 four years ago, to \$25 in the last two years, and about six months ago it has increased to \$31. The same amount of food, and sometimes unfortunately a little less, and the prices are higher each time.

We deeply appreciate your contributions. Many times their contributions do not matter for what, they have been channeled to buy food for those who do not have bread on the table. It is a sad reality. We are deeply grateful to everyone, and in this report to the Lennon's for their generosity in supporting this program.

**Mrs. Aura:** She is the mother of 3 children. Her husband Martin has been in jail for two years. Martin earned his living selling fruit on the streets of the city. One day a supposed friend proposed to give him \$20 if he would lend him her identification and they would open an account at the bank. Martin trusted that friend. His friend had control of the bank account and began to use Martin's account without him realizing it to extort people, threatening to kill them and asking them to deposit the money in the account that Martin opened at the bank. When the police investigated, everything led them to think that Martin was the one who was extorting people. The friend disappeared and Martin received a 6 year prison sentence. Aura makes a living washing clothes for other people, but she receives little money. We give Aura a bag of food a month. This means that we feed this family for two weeks, and ask them to save for the next two weeks. Aura is very grateful to the food program. Thank you very much for her love for those who have less!

**Total people fed in January: 789 = 631 children + 158 adults**

**Total people fed in February: 718 = 574 children + 144 adults**



**AURA**



**TRANSPORTING FOOD**

Finally in this report we want to thank Tammy and Cary for their fantastic generosity through which we have been able to provide several families with basic houses.

The last house built, has to do with the wonderful student evangelists of BICA. As you know at BICA we prepare self-sufficient evangelists to preach the gospel for at least 40 years. Most of them are very young, and they come to BICA without expecting to receive anything in return, other than excellent training to return after two years to their villages and preach the gospel. All the churches where the graduates return report numerical and spiritual growth.

Well, for many years the young women who come to BICA did not have a specific dormitory to live in. They lived in a small three-bedroom apartment that we rented. Sometimes 4 girls slept per room! God led us to do the good work and mainly through the contributions of Tammy and Cary we were able to build the BICA Girls Dorm! Thank you very much again!



By the way, that car is not ours! It's from the neighbor.

You will wonder how we can do so many great things, constructions, help with food, help hundreds of children, etc. It's not because we get tons of support, actually we're always worried about financial resources. But undoubtedly everything done is mainly

1. By God's blessing in our ministry.
2. For the good administration of each penny received for the ministry.
3. And finally, because personally I have a degree in design and construction of houses through which I do not charge for directing the constructions and I also have a license that allows me to buy the materials at the lowest cost.

Someone said, it is not morally good to ask people with an empty stomach to believe in God, if we do not show them that God can satisfy their hunger, through our good works...

All of us are doing this as a team! You are too important to us. Both the one who gives and the one who goes to the mission are very important for the accomplishment of the work!

Please continue to donate so that we continue to change lives and above all, we continue to save souls and send them to heaven.

In these three months, donations have been decreasing month after month and that worries us. Please continue to support and share with others the great things that God is doing in this part of the world. Thank you very much for all your love and effort, we assure you that it is not in vain!

With all our love,

Roberto & Martha

