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Connecting local with global.

A Missions Newsletter by The Mission



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GET INVOLVED

The declarations below are from The Missions Apostolic Mandate titled *Decisions That Define Us*. To me, the *Decisions That Define Us* are a constant reminder of what it looks like to seek first the Kingdom of God and fulfill the great commission. The statements that I include in this missions newsletter are especially challenging as we look to the mission field.

We are not limited to the four walls of this building. Our influence is not restricted by location; not even the nations are out of bounds.

We are more concerned about how many we send out into the world than how many we convince to come into the building. This building is meant to be filled and it will be; but it will not be the measure of who we are or the measure of our effectiveness.

Therefore, we raise up world changers not tour guides. We train commandos, not committees.

Let's never forget our call, our adventure, and yes, our Purpose as people of the Kingdom. Most of all, never forget that Jesus promised that we would never have to do this without Him.

Wow! How can we lose! Love this journey with you.

What's happening globally?

Global Buzz

Christian Iverson - Mexico

Christian is the Director of School of Dreams. The purpose of The School of Dreams is to build community centers in third world countries around the world to love, educate, and inspire the children.

This past year, Christian has traveled back and forth from North America to Mexico where School of Dreams is centered. During his time in California he has been working with family and spending time with the Lord.

This past March, Christian had planned to attend YWAM Mendocino Coast. However, at the beginning of the semester, due to COVID, school was cancelled. Since a fellow missionary partner was assisting with his school in Mexico, Christian decided to stay in North America during this season for a time of refreshing. Fortunately, he was able to return return to Mexico for a few weeks in September to reconnect with his team and the people there, continuing to share the heart of Jesus to all who will listen, serving the

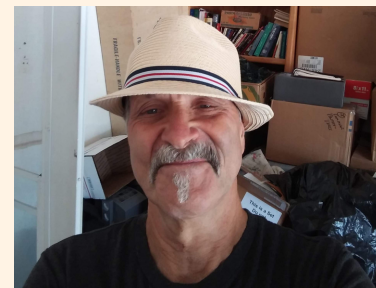


Some neighborhood children School of Dreams ministers too.

the people he's been called too for many years in the city of Vicente Guerrero.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for continued direction for this next season in his life.
- Pray for his hand he injured while working on building a home. Let's declare complete healing!
- Pray for the people of Vicente Guerrero, Mexico that they would continue to experience Jesus's love for them.
- Pray for the future direction of The School of Dreams Ministry.



Christian Iverson .

Jon and Marcia Tulio - Philippines

Deeper Philippines team members and alumni Kim and Karlo DeLeon have begun working with a small community church in Kim's home town of La Carlotta. La Carlotta is a small town about an hour south of Bacolod City. The DeLeons have been teaching topics like, "The Nature of God" and "Our identity in Christ" as well as working directly with the church's worship and leadership teams. Kim and Karlo have been bringing a group of Deeper staff and alumni to share and minister to the church.



Top and Bottom Photo: Deeper Team Members ministering at a local church.

This Fall, Deeper Philippines plan is to develop an online strategy and platform for the school so that people outside of Bacolod City and in other places of the Philippines can access the program. Their goal is to launch this in early 2021.

Testimonies:

"Marcia and I are really happy for the DeLeons and the work they are pursuing in La Carlotta. At their meeting they have seen deaf ears open, many people being healed of unforgiveness, family healing, and reconciliation."

Prayer Points:

- Pray for the Tulio's. They are praying for the opportunity to travel back to the Philippines. Things right now are very unclear as to travel and the city is still under a modified quarantine.
- Pray for new strategies to engage and serve the community in Bacolod City.



Basil and Ksanita Hicks - Native American

For the past couple of months, Basil and Ksanita have been busy collecting information and doing the groundwork for the youth project they want to start. Their goal is to have a center where the youth of Round Valley can come to have a space of their own, somewhere to hang out and belong. There are currently no programs or recreation for them on the reservation. Getting this youth center going is something that is vital for this community and the youth of Round Valley.

This past month, Basil and Ksanita spent some time in Wyoming as guests of a local tribe. They were able to do some ministry there and felt very grateful to have been invited to participate with other tribes from across the US.

Kasa has been busy building relationships with the ladies on the reservation and has been meeting with them on a weekly basis. Basil says, "This is breakthrough for us, and we are excited about what God is going to bring out of this."

Testimony:

"Our testimony is of the continued faithfulness of the God we serve. Traveling to Wyoming and back isn't cheap. But God in His faithfulness provided everything we needed to go there and back. To Him be the Glory."

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Prayer Points:

- Pray for continued strategies, wisdom, and resources as they work to get together the youth center.
- Pray for the continued building of relationships on the reservation.
- Pray for no violence on the reservation.



Basil and Kasa (right).

Caleb Byerly- Global

Caleb has had a full blast summer! In the Philippines, Caleb and his ministry have started building a church for one of their close friends, Noel and Christie, who pastor a community on the island of Mindanao. Caleb has been walking with Noel for eleven years, and he's an "amazing friend of God who walks in humility and great leadership."

Caleb and his beautiful wife Gladys along with their three boys, reside in North Carolina. They just closed on forty-eight acres of beautiful farm lands and woods in Moravian Falls in the mountains of NC. They are presently living in an RV and people have asked, "Why are you living in an RV? Our response is we want to live on the land as lightweight as possible so we can see what God's plans are for this place. We know there's a great purpose for this land, and we want to serve the body of Chris and His Kingdom! We don't know exactly what we are stepping into, but we know it's big."

Testimony:

"We have a homeless ministry in Central North Carolina, specifically focused on helping people get back on their feet. We found one man in the woods outside of an ABC store named David who was strung

out on heroin. We saw that he really wanted to be drug free and do better in life. He had been living in the woods because he wanted to hide from the cops. After encouraging him over a nice dinner, he decided to turn himself in. He served his time in jail and was released a couple of weeks ago. Our team were able to assist him in getting into a really good recovery center and halfway house. He is currently working full time and off drugs and alcohol. Enjoying fellowship with the team every week."

Prayer Points:

- Pray for David. He needs much prayer and support.
- Pray for the Tinonanon tribal ministry in the Philippines. They are working on a Bible translation right now and are facing many struggles. Caleb's friend, Manigos, who is the head leader of their Tinonanon ministry is facing a lot of persecution.
- Pray for Joshua, a previous drug addict, that he would live his life free of drugs and full of God's presence.
- Pray for Caleb, Gladys, and their boys.

Missionary Highlight: Sam and Iva Koliloa

Sam and Iva are the Directors of Sounds of the Nations Fiji as well as teachers in Deeper Fiji. Sam, Iva and their Sounds of the Nations Fiji Team have been busy this last quarter with their Sounds of the Nation Music Academy. During this past term, they have been training over 35 students. Some of their students came from as far as Suva, which is four hours away.

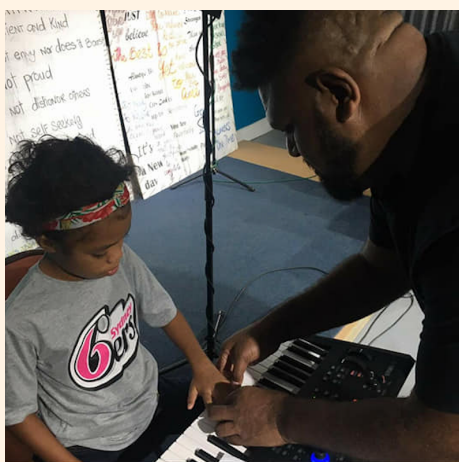


Sam, Iva and some members of their team.

Sam and Iva are currently taking a three week break and preparing for their next term which will begin November 1st.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for a larger space to hold their Worship and Music Academy and finances to help sustain the school.
- Pray for new musical instruments for the school so they can cater to more students.



Sam teaching one of his younger students.

Before COVID, they had started a monthly Worship Night called "Encounter Night." Sam and Iva, along with their team lead this worship night. They recently started it back up and had over 130 people show up to worship! Sam says, "We were amazed at the hunger people have right now."



Iva teaching some vocal training.

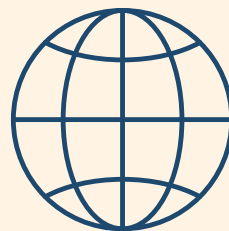
Upcoming Warchest:

October: Alpha Clinics & Ebenezer Outreach

November: Missionary Gifts

December: Christian Iverson

Christmas gifts for children in Mexico.



Want to get involved?

*Check out some ways you can play an important part in Missions.
We'd love to have you partner with us.*

- **PRAY**

Pray with us for our missionaries and mission endeavours. You can pick up prayer cards at our Warchest table every first Sunday of the month.

- **GIVE**

Every first Sunday of the month, we provide a time of giving to our Warchest Offering. You can also give toward Warchest anytime via our *imissionchurch.com* website.

- **GO**

Every year we send out teams of people to minister abroad. We would love for you to join us.

- **SEND**

If you can't go on a missions trip but would like to be a part of someone else's missions trip, we have ways for you to partner in that.

- **HOST**

Throughout the year, we host many people from other nations that are in need of a host home, transportation, or just personal encouragement while they are here.

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