

Christ, Only Christ!

Proclaiming HIM Following HIM



December 2018

My Task

I do not ask for mighty words – To leave the crowd impressed,
But grant my life may ring so true – My neighbor shall be blessed.

I do not ask for influence – To sway the multitude;
Give me a "word in season," for – The soul in solitude.

I do not ask to win the great – (God grant they may be saved!)
Give me the broken sinner, Lord, – By Satan long enslaved.

Though words of wisdom and of power – Rise easily to some,
Give me a simple message, Lord – That bids the sinner come.

A group of boys and girls may be – My God-appointed task;
Help me to lead each one to Thee – What greater could I ask?

I ask no place of prominence – Where all the world can see,
But in some needy corner, Lord, – There let me work for Thee.

No task too great, no task too small, – Sufficient is Thy grace;
The darkened heart my mission field, – My light, the Savior's face.

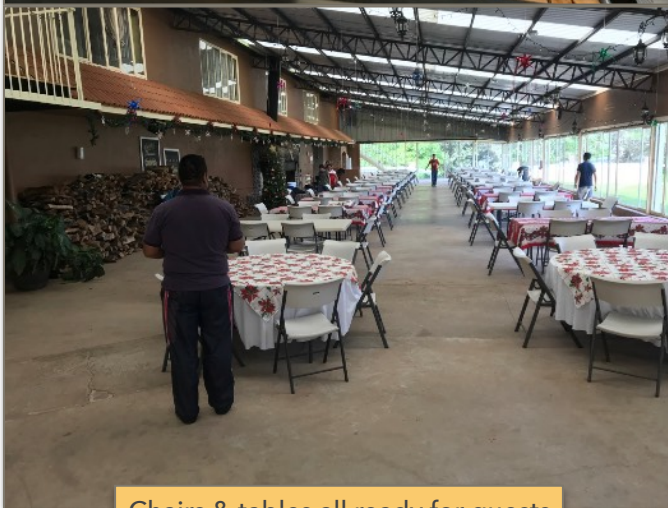
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Christmas Plays

The annual Christmas play really turned out great this year, praise the Lord! Our prayers were answered! The first weekend we didn't have as many people as the second weekend but thankfully we had a good size group at each presentation. Time will tell but it seems like many people really understood the Gospel for the first time at these outreaches!



Making "tamales" for the outreach



Chairs & tables all ready for guests



Working on "ponche" for the event



Little shepherds singing!



Actors getting ready!

- ▶ Dear Lord, thank you for using these Christmas plays to proclaim the Gospel and glorify Your name!
- ▶ Please protect the seed that has been sown.
- ▶ Cause it to bear lots of fruit! In Jesus name, amen!

Business Bible Study

One thing I didn't anticipate this month was having the opportunity to give a Bible study to the Cappuccino workers during the month of December. Being the busiest time of the year for the business, there can be up to twice as many employees as usual and most of them aren't believers. Before they start work each day Elsa, "the owner of the business", has provided a time for the workers to do a short Bible study.

I decided to just go through a short book called *Hecho (Done)* that gives the Gospel very clearly. I felt encouraged about the study and feel like the Lord will use it in the lives of these people.

Business Meal

Every year the company does a special meal for the employees. The good thing about this is that we don't only have the opportunity of sharing the Gospel with all the workers but also all of their families! We were two days in the making of this succulent banquet for the workers, but it was worth it to get to share the Gospel with all of them!



- ▶ Father, continue working in these souls to accomplish your will in their lives.
- ▶ May they receive a love for the truth.
- ▶ Frustrate Satan's plans for their lives! Amen.

Christmas Caroling!

Last but not least, we had a wonderful time caroling in the two small towns nearest to us! We prepared plates of cookies for the church families, and bags of traditional fruit-filled bread to give each home we visited along with a Gospel tract. This is one of my favorite Christmas traditions!

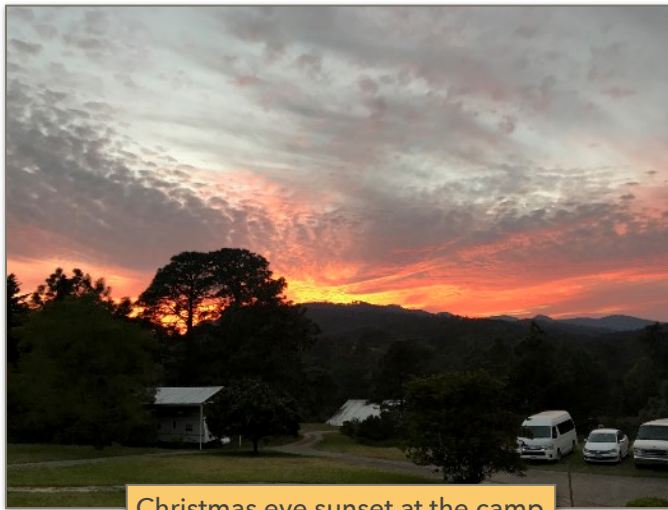


- O Lord, cause every home that has received your Word to read it!
- And, wherever it is read may it be understood and bear much fruit. Amen.

What's Next?

Besides the normal Bible studies and weekend ministries, we are excited about a construction team coming down the end of January to work on the camp! But before that, we are planning on doing a Parents in Action camp.

- *Lord, grant us safety as we work together this coming month.*
- *Bless the Parents in Action camp with your presence and voice.*
- *Bring those you would have come.*



- *Father, thank you for your faithfulness in the past year!*
- *Bless this coming year.*
- *Help us live each day as if it were our last.*
- *May we stand before you without shame at your coming.*
- *And let it be Christ, only Christ who is proclaimed, seen, and exalted. Amen*

It has been a wonderful year and I can't tell you all how grateful I am for your kind interest and generous support! From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Jesus is coming soon!

Nathan,

Your brother in CHRIST!

- *OUR LORD – COME! Amen!*