



Showing the Ministry of Jesus on a timeline



Hamming it up for a group photo



Building a Ministry Plan

Emerging Leaders Training 2018

The Bible Institute and Theological Seminary of Spain was once again our host for Emerging Leaders Training 2018.

Over fifty delegates from the countries of Peru, Paraguay, Slovakia, Romania, Spain, Ukraine, Ghana, Zimbabwe and Zambia gathered for another two weeks of intensive training around the themes of: *how to build a strategic plan that will multiply your ministry*, and *working together as teams to increase your ministry's effectiveness*. The EL Training was designed to specifically undergird the emerging leaders in our AFCI countries and train them in how to multiply their country's ministry in order to make a greater impact for Christ in their nations.

The two weeks began on July 22 with many hugs and trying to catch up on everyone's lives during the past



twelve months. The first evening ended with a stroll down to our favourite ice cream shop for another hour of fellowship before turning in.

One of our focal points was studying movement building from the life of Christ. Based upon a biblical understanding of Great Commission priorities, as observed in the life of Christ, each team engaged with the biblical material to create a plan to build a movement that could reach their nation with the Gospel.

Brian & Linda acted mainly as facilitators, working with the teams from Paraguay and Peru. What a blessing to see these young adults dig into these biblical principles and passionately commit themselves to the vision the Lord created in their hearts.

The two weeks were not without its challenges. There was not a day we didn't have to take someone to the hospital or clinic as at least half contracted a

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bacterial infection or virus that affected the lungs. A couple of people developed pneumonia and had to remain in the hospital a few days after the conference was over. One of the directors at the Bible Institute where we were staying said, "Wow! You guys must be doing something right for the enemy to attack you like this."

Thank you for your prayers and support. Because of you, we are able to do what the Lord has so passionately placed on our hearts - to accelerate the spread of the gospel through local churches. We appreciate your partnership so much.



Pastor Cristian's church has been actively involved in reaching many of the street children in the area of Los Charimicos. This summer they were able to take over 60 kids into the mountains, where they ran a Christian day camp.



Miracle on Montserrat



On the one free day we had during the two weeks of intensive training at Emerging Leaders, we all took a bus

to the historical mountain monastery in Montserrat. The mountain range there is both unique and beautiful. A friend and I decided to spend most of our day hiking around the mountains taking photographs. As we started to descend, I was stung by a wasp. Being fatally allergic to bee, hornet & wasp stings, I knew I needed to get to a hospital. I immediately took some antihistamine tablets and headed down the mountain. We were over an hour away from a hospital, and since the doctors had always predicted that I would only have 15 to 50 minutes to live without medical treatment, a few of the leaders gathered around me to pray. By the time we were able to get to a hospital, there was absolutely no sign of being stung. Praise God for His mercies!

Christmas Ministry in the DR

We are planning to host a Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic from December 4-13. During this time we hope to once again sponsor a Christmas Dinner for about 700



children from some of the poor barrios around Sosua that Pastor Cristian's church continues to evangelize.

This will not only give most of these children a nutritious Christmas meal (which none of the families would be able to afford) but it will also give another opportunity

to share the Gospel through the Christmas story. Our goal is to raise \$1,700 to cover the cost of this meal. We will also be distributing



Bibles to pastors of needy churches and new church plants as well as taking part in different ministries of encouragement to the church and Christian school teachers. If you would like to join us for this Mission Trip, please contact us for more information.

Over 90 Children Pack Out Kids Camp at All Peoples Church in Falcon Lake



Brian and Stephanie acting out one of the skits to highlight the main theme for the day at Kids Camp.

There were shouts, smiles and high-fives, as the kids streamed into All Peoples Church for Kids Camp 2018.

The theme for the week was "Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus." As the children migrated between six different stations throughout each



morning, they learned how the Lord cares for us in all the different situations in life, whether they are difficult or easy.

One of the fun spots each morning was coming together to sing some great, upbeat Christian worship songs and to see Director Stephanie try to help Pastor Brian figure out all the crazy catastrophes in his life, so he could help get everyone rescued from this deserted island.

The kids were also focused on how they could be involved in Mission themselves. Each morning they brought in an offering which was designated to go to Pastor Cristian's church in the Dominican Republic to help them with their Sunday School breakfast program. Many of these children in the

DR come to Sunday School hungry, as there is little or nothing to eat at their homes. For several years, the church has been trying to feed the children a breakfast on Sunday morning, which costs about \$40 per week.

Not only did the kids bring in an offering each morning but

some of them also set up lemonade stands and

sold handmade bracelets to earn extra money. In total, they raised \$1,500, enough to supply breakfasts for 38 weeks.



The best highlight of the week

however, was that 16 children prayed to surrender their lives to Jesus. When an invitation was given at the closing gathering on the fourth day, these children immediately responded and declared that they wanted to be a Christian and live for the Lord.