



The Dove Family

Reaching the Latin World for Christ in
Costa Rica

September/October 2021

Dear Pastor and Co-laborers,

Psalms 62: 8 **“Trust in Him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before Him: God is a refuge for us. Selah.”** We have definitely poured out to the Lord in the last couple of months. Covid cases went on a rise and begin to knock on our door. We, like I am sure all of you, have prayed with church members with Covid, have prayed for friends and loved ones of our church members. We have seen many recoveries, praise the Lord. We have also seen many that didn't recover. We have seen tears in our people's eyes and hurt with them. We have seen national pastors and missionaries pass away from Covid or other related issues. We do covet your prayers because there are a lot of laws coming into effect as of December 1st regarding Covid that could affect churches.

We are rejoicing in the Lord that through it all our people have been faithful. We have seen families growing spiritually. We rejoice that we have access to live stream our services and we have been able to see people connect and seek information. We are thankful that we can without a doubt tell the precious Costa Ricans that He is our Refuge and wants to be their refuge also.

Mother's Day in Costa Rica is in August. We postponed it because of some families that were quarantined. We finally got to celebrate our moms at our September ladies meeting. Our theme was Proverbs 3:5-6. **“Trust in the Lord.”** We had a special speaker that did a wonderful job teaching the ladies how we can trust the Lord with our marriages and children. We had a first-time visitor.

I am currently meeting with the men every two weeks going over a book called *The Steps of a Good Man*. It has been a blessing to have the teens and college and career boys join us for this time. We are seeing growth in our men.

In September we celebrated Kid's Day. This year we had the children and teens run the service. We were excited to have one our college and career young men bring the message. God really blessed us with a great day.

We also celebrated Costa Rica's Independence Day in September. We were able to celebrate by having everyone dress in typical Costa Rican clothes and served typical Costa Rica food.

In October, we are teaching and preaching on the Word of God all month. We have been teaching our people how to do Sword Drills. This has been a blessing seeing them come to church with their Bibles ready to find the Scripture first.

We thank you for your faithful support and prayers. We also ask you to pray that our support stays steady. We are in a critical time in the life of our church, and we can't be gone too long. If anyone would like for us to report on our work via Facebook live, zoom or other platforms, we are happy to do that. On a personal note, our family is moving to a smaller house close to the church. Please pray for us as we move and as we face many extra expenses. Lord bless you folks!

Your missionaries in Costa Rica,

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