



## HIMN August Newsletter

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### FEATURE TESTIMONY OF THE MONTH

The following is the testimony of one of our directors, Kris Tsao, who attended our West Park sharing event on August 24, 2013. In it, he describes his experiences at the location.

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### PRAYER ITEMS

1. The health of Kevin's mother and the welfare of Kevin's family.
2. The coming volunteer appreciation party. We want to show our appreciation for all volunteers who have participated in sharing events in the past or have generously donated money to our ministry.
3. Justo Tziquitop, Victor Morales, Oscar Cortez , Ernesto Lopez, Tomas Zapeta and Mario Boel, who accepted Christ at the West Bellfort sharing on 8/24/2013. Please pray for the faith of these new believers and that they will find a church near the West Park area.
4. West Park location. HIMN's volunteers had met opposition from the owner of the Shell gas station in the area. In the past, we would be confronted by the security guard there, who would tell us not to park in the gas station parking lot. Now whenever we would go to the Shell gas station to minister to the workers standing there, someone would go on the gas station's PA system and order us to get off the property. This is the second time this has happened, although we did not really notice the first time this happened. Pray that we can find a solution to this problem.

### 8/3/2013 SHARING EVENT AT WOODRIDGE

Andrew's Report:

I arrived at the Woodridge location at around 8:40 AM with my younger brother Daniel. Jessica Gonzales, her sister-in-law Graciela, and Graciela's sister-in-law Landy were already there. Mrs. Wanchan arrived shortly after at 8:45 and we began with a word of prayer at 8:50.

Jessica, Graciela, and Landy shared with the workers about Jesus while the rest of us passed out tracts to the workers. Mrs. Wanchan asked the Spanish speaking volunteers to share with all the workers at the Woodridge location. While they did so, I prayed for the welfare and safety of the workers that we talked to.

Lucy's husband Dan arrived at 9:30 with the water. He explained that normally when he goes to the Woodridge location with Paco, they'd always start at 9:30.

My brother Daniel and I both handed out water and tracts to the workers. We ended at around 10:00 with a closing prayer.

Wanchan's Report:

Four women, three Spanish-speaking sisters, Jessica, Graciela, and Landi, together with myself, and two young men Andrew and his high school brother Daniel, (and later Dongshi) made up a team. This is a quite interesting mixture. We have Spanish-speaking sisters, but no Spanish-speaking brothers. This is the first time we had such combination. I had a little concern. Would these all male migrant workers be willing to listen to women "sharers"? Would these men consider it a humiliation to have women "preach" to them?

Yet, these three courageous and faithful sisters decided to do sharing events as planned no matter what. So, we went along the entire parking lot of this shopping plaza. We talked to every 2-3 people we met. Totally we reached about 20-30 migrant workers.

Even though I didn't know what the Hispanic sisters said, I prayed by the side. We also prayed at the end of our sharing testimony. It seemed that several people were touched by our Hispanic sisters' sharing and earnest prayer. Their faces changed from indifference and resistance to appreciation and thankfulness. We were greatly encouraged. We knew God blessed us when we faithfully did our parts without hesitation.

Thank you God for your help and faithfulness, too.

### 8/10/2013 SHARING EVENT AT WEST BELLFORT

Andrew's Report:

I arrived at the West Bellfort location at 8:20 AM. Jessica Gonzales, who brought the water, arrived at 8:30 and Pastor Joel arrived at 9:00. While we waited for him to arrive, Jessica and I decided that we were going to pass out tracts to the workers and talk to them. Jessica, who late told me later that she was the shy type, took the initiative and spoke boldly to the workers. I was surprised as I would not have known had she not told me. It is the work of the Holy Spirit who is speaking through her. I was astonished that such a shy person could speak so boldly.

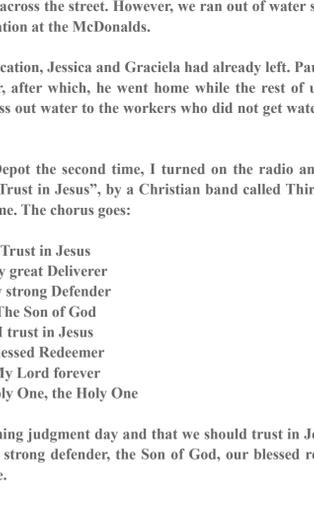
When Pastor Joel arrived, he preached a brief message to the workers and we passed out bottled water to them. He told me that the workers would not listen if the sermon had been longer. We were forced to end at around 9:20 because it had begun to rain heavily. I thank God that we were able to finish our work before then. I was also excited to be serving on my 23rd birthday.

Pastor Joel's Report:

Title: THE LOVE OF GOD

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

1. God Love us First.
2. God gave His Best, His only Son.
3. To save the world.



### 8/17/2013 SHARING EVENT AT BELLAIRE

Andrew's Report:

I arrived at the Bellaire location at 8:20 AM with my younger brother Daniel. Paul Huang was already there. Jessica Gonzales arrived at around 8:30 and Graciela arrived at around 8:35. Mrs. Wanchan arrived at 8:40.

Mrs. Wanchan opened with an opening prayer. While Jessica and Graciela shared with the workers, the rest of us passed out tracts and bottled water to all the workers. Paul Huang passed out tracts and water to the workers on sight while Mrs. Wanchan, Daniel, and I passed out tracts and water to the workers at the Home Depot across the highway and at the McDonalds across the street. However, we ran out of water so we had to buy more from the gas station at the McDonalds.

When we returned to the original location, Jessica and Graciela had already left. Paul Huang ended with a closing prayer, after which, he went home while the rest of us went back to the Home Depot to pass out water to the workers who did not get water the first time we went there.

As we were driving to the song called the second time, I turned on the radio and heard the chorus to a song called "Trust in Jesus", by a Christian band called Third Day. This song greatly encouraged me. The chorus goes:

Trust in Jesus  
My great Deliverer  
My strong Defender  
The Son of God  
I trust in Jesus  
Blessed Redeemer  
My Lord forever  
The Holy One, the Holy One

This song reminds us about the coming judgment day and that we should trust in Jesus, who is our great deliverer, our strong defender, the Son of God, our blessed redeemer, our Lord, and the Holy One.

Wanchan's Report:

Thanks to Andrew and Daniel. So, we did a trip around the intersection of Bellaire Blvd. and Beltway 8. We passed tracts and water bottles. We were happy to see that the seeds were into their hearts. Totally we reached about 70 workers.

Jessica's Report:

Most of the workers used to attend Christian churches in their countries Guatemala, but most of them stopped going to churches when they arrived in the U.S.A, due to the worries of this life. Graciela and I had the opportunity to share the word of God and telling them that God never forsake them, and they need to seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all things should be added unto them.

We thanks our Lord that He gave us the opportunity to encourage these brothers in Christ to return to the Lord. We pass the tracts to them and leave some as well, so they can pass them out when they have a chance. Let's continue to pray for the ministry God answer our prayer He brought us to be part of this ministry.

Amen.

### 8/24/2013 SHARING EVENT AT WEST PARK

Andrew's Report

I arrived at the West Park location at 8:25 AM. Paco and Kris arrived at around 8:30 and Graciela Gonzales arrived at 8:35 AM. Kris brought donuts and orange juice while Graciela brought kolaches. We began at 8:40 with a word of prayer from Kris.

We passed out tracts and donuts to the workers and served them orange juice while Paco preached his sermon. Jessica Gonzales went to the Shell gas station to preach and serve food and drinks to the workers standing there. Just as we were finishing up, someone came on the PA system on the Shell gas station telling us to get off the property. We were thankful that we were able to finish preaching to the workers before we were told to leave.

After preaching to a third group of workers some distance away from the Shell gas station, we went back to the bridge and closed our time with a word of prayer from Paco at around 9:45 AM.

Please pray for the West Park location. HIMN has received much opposition from the Shell gas station employees, who don't want us to conduct our ministry on the gas station property, even though that is where the workers are standing. Even so, I am encouraged by a song I heard while driving to the West Park location. It is called "Live Like That" by a Christian band called Sidewalk Prophets. The chorus goes like this:

I want to live like that  
And give it all I have  
So that everything I say and do  
Points to You

If love is who I am  
Then this is where I'll stand  
Recklessly abandoned  
Never holding back

I want to live like that  
I want to live like that

This HIMN reminds us that we must live like Jesus Christ, our savior. Please pray that the HIMN volunteers will live like Jesus and show God's love to the migrant workers.

Paco's Report:

Showed up Kris Tsao from Fort Bent Community Church, Graciela y Jessica from Iglesia del Pueblo; Paco Ramos from South Houston Bible Chapel and Andrew from Himm. Kris and Graciela brought drinks and donuts. We gave tracts to around 50 workers, drinks and donuts. We preached 3 times the salvation of Christ to around 25 o 30 workers and 6 workers accepted Jesus as their savior and they repented from their sins. Their names are Justo Tziquitop, Victor Morales, Oscar Cortez Phone, 832-9214900; Ernesto Lopez -Phone, 832-3258266; Tomas Zapeta and Mario Boel. Please pray for these new believers and if you know some Church or Pastor near to West Park give the phone number and names to contact with them.

God Bless this Ministry for his Glory!!

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Kris' Report:

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### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

What: Charitable Food Safety Classes

When: September 21, 2013; 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Where: The Beacon, 1212 Prairie St., Houston, Texas 77002.

