



HIMN December Newsletter

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PRAYER ITEMS

1. All the workers who accepted Christ at our Christmas Sharing Events. Please pray that God will continue to work in their lives.

Bellaire: Cesar Carrillo and Pedro Cosigua Castro

West Park: Giovanni Jimenez and Juan Lucio

Woodridge: Tomas Rodriguez, German Socoy, Ubaldo Ramos and Calixto Calderon.

West Belfort: Andres Cabal, Salomon Cornelias, Tomas Diosdado, Cristobal Luna and Antonio Flores.

2. Santos Can, who we met at our Bellaire Christmas event. He is a believer who continues to go to church. Please pray that God will continue to strengthen his faith.

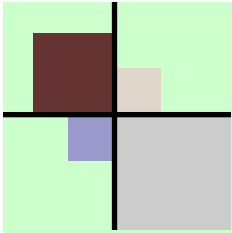
12/7/2013 AT BELLAIRE

Andrew's Report: I arrived at the Bellaire location at 7:45 AM and was surprised to find that a couple members of *Kris' small group* were present already. I helped them to set up the tables and pack the bag lunches that we would pass out to the workers later that day. *David Wang, Paco*, and two brother from Paco's church named *Carlos*

Carlos Guzman and *Alfredo Madrigales* also arrived at the event.

We began with a word of prayer. Then the children of *Kris' small group* played "Joy to the World" and "Amazing Grace." *Carlos Guzman*, one of the brothers from Paco's church, played and sang a couple more songs in Spanish. Then *Paco* preached his message to 36 workers. We finished by handing out the bagged lunches, gifts (through a drawing), and clothes. We ended with a closing prayer at around 10:00 AM.





Paco's Report: Special Christmas Sharing Event 12/7/13 at Bellaire. Brother Kris and his group from Fort Bent Community Church came to help us. Brother Carlos Guzman and Alfredo Madrigales from South Houston Bible Chapel also came. Kris's group brought many bags of food and many gifts for the Immigrant Workers in the street.

Kris and his group started calling the workers around 8:00 am. After that they prepared the tables for the gifts and food. The Kids group played 3 songs to the workers as the Adults were singing. Carlos Guzman played 4 more songs but in Spanish, after that I started preaching and at the end two persons accepted Jesus as their Savior Cesar Carrillo and Pedro Cosigua Castro; please pray for these new believers that they can grow and find a Church also. We found Santos Can who accepted Jesus before and now he continues to congregate in a Church, please pray for him too.

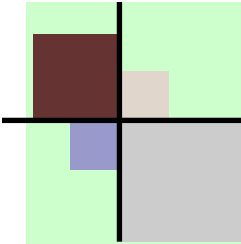
Saturday in the morning was really cold and was amazing that the kids played the songs in this kind of weather and the adults singing; Nobody wanted to cancel they wanted to continue to work for our Lord; that is inspiring me to see love's God in each one. We started the sharing event with around 45 workers and when we started giving gifts, food, and clothes, more came. That morning God blessed many workers and blessed our lives too.

I preached about Act 3 : 2-9; Where Peter and John make a man walk who was lame from birth and he came every day to ask for alms. And Peter said to him " Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you": In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk". It is same with us, we were not to give them gold and silver, we went to give them our faith in Jesus, the love Jesus put in our hearts . They are paralyzed in their sins and God right through Jesus makes them walk in new life, eternal life.

Please continue to pray for the next Special Christmas Sharing Events. God bless his word!!

In Jesus Christ.

Paco Ramos.



Kris' Report: It was a very cold and windy morning, but all volunteers showed up bright and early, very excited for this event. Most of the brothers and sisters from the Agape group arrived about 8 AM, some even earlier to get ready for the event.

Unlike last year, when more than 20 workers were already waiting at the event site when we arrived; there was virtually no one waiting this time. We had passed out more invitation cards this year, but I looked around and saw very few workers even standing around. I started to concern about the turn out for this event.

I invited Brother Jonathan to walk around the area to gather the workers as the rest of the coworkers continue to set up for the event. I was shocked to see how few workers were even outside that morning. I had never seen the area being so bare before. Last Saturday, there were more than 30 people standing by the fence behind Home Depot at this exact same time, but there was only one person that day. Only one! My heart sunk. But immediately I heard Brother Johnathan say to me: "let us pray." Yes, at that moment, praying was the only thing we could do and should do. We prayed together as we walked around the area, all the way back to our event site. My heart was at peace then, because I knew God would provide. We had done everything in our power to plan for the event, and it was time for God to take over and use this event to further His kingdom. And He did.

We had 24 adults and 12 children volunteers at this event and we prepared more than 70 meals and presents as well as plenty of clothing. We were ready and started with a prayer together at around 8:20 AM. Seven of our children brought their music instruments and performed "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Amazing Grace" while the adults sang the good news to these workers. Despite the bitter cold, the strings digging into the fingers of these children; they performed beautifully and never complained. The music brought much warmth to the heart of our Hispanic friends.

Brother Carlos Guzman sang a few Spanish songs after this and Paco started his sermon. Paco preached from Act 3:2-9; He encouraged the audience to seek the ultimate possession, which is the love of the Christ and the eternal life which can only come from Lord Jesus. *(to be continued to the next page)*

Praise the Lord; we ended up with more than 40 people attending the event. Two of them, Cesar Carrillo & Pedro Cosigua Castro, were saved and accepted Christ Jesus as their personal savior. Let us pray for them, that they continue to seek God and His will in their lives and grow in Christ and in spirit.

After serving the food and giving out clothing, we started our gift drawing. The workers were handed a numbered ticket with their food and we drew a number for each present. The children did the drawing and everybody received a present including tennis shoes, new clothing and down jackets. Everybody had smiles on their faces.

As the event comes to a close, we all gathered and took a few group pictures; and we prayed together to give thanks and all the glory and praises to our God for a successful event. As soon as the prayer ended, it started to sprinkle. We were very thankful that it did not rain until then.

It was a very special day. Through the tears of repentance and the laughter of joy, we experienced God in our midst and witness the work of the Holy Spirit. When all the brothers and sisters come together to serve the Lord and show our love and care to our neighbors, we are the ones who receive the most blessings. May God continue to bless our hearts and continue to allow us to be a part of His plan and His will.

Praised the Lord! All the glory and honor is His!



12/14/2013 SHARING EVENT AT WEST PARK

Paco's Report: Special Sharing Event at West Park, Showed up Pastor Oleg, Hong and Joseph from Sugarland Chinese Baptist Church; Hugo Castro and his Family; Higinio from Comunidad y Amor; and Andrew Wang. Pastor Oleg and his team brought food ,drinks and clothes and Hugo Castro brought bread to the workers.

We had the sharing event under the bridge on 59 freeway. Around 35 or 40 workers attended the sharing event. They were listening the songs we sang and then they listened the main message and 2 workers made the prayer of faith, their names are Giovanni Jimenez and Juan Lucio, please pray for these new believers. Another worker ask for pray because he wants to come back to Jesus way. We prayed with him and his name is Antonio Laines. please pray he can find one church close to his apartment.



Andrew's Report: I arrived at the West Park location at 8:10 AM and waited for the others. Pastor Oleg Xu and two brothers from his church, Joseph and Hong, who brought the gifts, clothes, and sausage biscuits from Burger King,. got there at around 8:30. Hugo Castro and his family, who brought some Mexican bread, got there at 8:35 and Kevin Chavez, a former HIMN director, arrived at 8:40. Paco and Dan Zhang arrived at 8:50.

We began our time together with a word of prayer. Pastor Oleg and his brothers sang "Joy to the World" (in English) and "Silent Night" (in Spanish). After we sang the Christmas carols, Paco preached his message. We spent the rest of the time giving them the food, drinks, gifts, and clothes. We ended our event at 9:45 AM.

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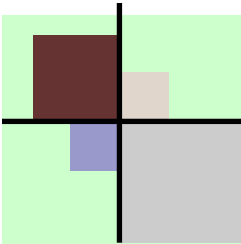
I preached about Isaiah 9:6 "For unto us a Child is Born, unto us a Son is given"; Jesus was born in child, but like Son he always lives from the eternity John 1:1; this is the reason of all his names "Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace" ; Jesus is the only one will be admired for the eternity, He is the best counselor for our lives, He is the mighty God that could free you from your sins and problems and give you the peace you need.

In Jesus Love!!

Paco.



12/21/2013 SHARING EVENT AT WOODRIDGE



Andrew's Report: *I arrived at the Woodridge location at 8:50 AM with my parents and my younger brother Daniel. Mrs. Wanchan, her daughter Salena, A family from their small group, Paco and his wife Christina, and a few members of their church, including Olvin, who I had not seen in a long time, were already there. We arrived in the middle of Paco's sermon. I got the microphone to Paco. I was excited when four workers accepted Christ. We served them food and ended our sharing event with a raffle and a closing prayer at 9:30 AM..*

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Paco's Report: Special Christmas Sharing Event at Woodridge, Showed Sister Wanchan and her friends, Andrew and his family, Pastor Santos Guzman, Olvin , Anita, Raymundo, Alfredo and my wife Cristina from South Houston Bible Chapel. Pastor Santos Guzman and his team brought drinks, some bread , clothes and gifts for the workers. Sister Wanchan and her group brought food, some clothes and gitfs. We had enough clothes, gifts, food and drinks for around 40 or 50 workers. That day was raining hard, we needed to found some roof to cover us from the rain and to continue with the Christmas Sharing Event. The workers were happy to saw us. They put attention to brother Raymundo testimony and the main message. Four workers made the prayer of faith in Jesus Christ, their names are Tomas Rodriguez, German Socoy, Ubaldo Ramos and Calixto Calderon. Andrew gave to them New Testaments, please pray for these new believers. We did not have enough time to finish the Event because a security police was taking pictures of us and calling the police. God took care of us that day and we were able to plant the seed of the word of God in the hearts of the workers. God bless his Word!!

I preached about Matthew 1:23 " Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, " which is translated, "God with us". God with us in our problems, God with us in our necessities, God with us in our weaknesses, God with us in our strengths, God with us in this country, God with us in our loneliness, God we us in our sins to save our lives right throughout our Lord Jesus Christ.

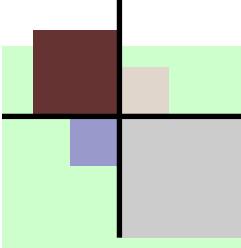
Merry Christmas Brothers and Sisters, Jesus Christ was born into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. 1 Timothy 1:15.

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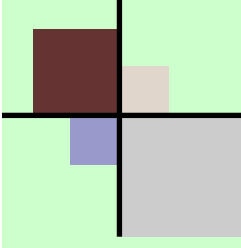


12/28/2013 SHARING EVENT AT WEST BELLFORT



Andrew's Report: *I arrived with my dad and my friend Isaiah at 8:20 AM. Benjamin Tzeng, his wife, and a sister from his small group, Evelyn, arrived at 8:30. Paco, a few of Paco's friends, James Yu and his brother Allen, Mrs. Wanchan, her children Salena and Jeffery, and Jeffery's friend Rachel arrived a little while after.*

Benjamin started us off with a word of prayer. Jeffery then played a few Christmas songs on his guitar as we sang along. Paco followed up with his sermon. After the sermon, we served them bread and coffee. I also passed out bottled water to the workers. Finally we handed out winter clothing and had a raffle for the gifts that Benjamin brought. Paco ended our time with a closing prayer at around 9:45 AM.



Paco's Report: *Special Christmas Sharing Event at West Bellfort, Showed up Brother Benjamin and his family, Andrew and his Father , James Yu and his brother, Sister Wanchan and her kids and Isaiah from Fort Bend Community Church and Brother Higinio and his Wife from Comunidad y Amor. Brother Benjamin and his family brought food, drinks, chips, clothes and gifts. Sister Wanchan brought some food, some gifts and she sang 3 songs with her son and daughters and Brother Hignio and his wife brought some sweet bread.*

Around 40 or 50 workers listened the songs and the main message. All the workers received food, drinks, chips, clothes, gifts and gospel tracks. They were really happy with all the love shown by the brothers and sisters. 5 workers made their pray of faith to accept Jesus as their savior. Their names are Andres Cabal, Salomon Cornelias, Tomas Diosdado, Cristobal Luna and Antonio Flores. Please pray for they grow in the way of Jesus and they can found one church close their homes. *(to be continued to the next page)*

I started preaching about Luke 2: 7, " And laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn". When Jesus was born. He was born so lowly and poorly, so no one can say: " I am the most needy". Because Jesus had necessity since his childhood. He did not have a crib or bed to sleep on. It is reason that He can meet all our needs. And your greatest need is to have Him in your heart for you can change your live. We can not change our life in our own strength. Only God into our being can transform our lives. Receive Jesus today, He is at the door of your heart calling!!

In Jesus Love!!

Paco.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

What: Charitable Food Safety Classes

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

When: Jan 18 2014, February 15 2014

Time: 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

