

Danli, El Paraiso, San Juan de Linaca, Honduras

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Danlí

1. Erasmo Rodríguez Cáceres is a fast-food business owner who expressed interest in scientific theories. Using this as a springboard we began talking about God's control of the universe. He says that he needs more time to soak in God's word. Rumors are that he has killed three men. We plan to present the message of repentance and forgiveness.

2. While repairing my son's bicycle, Erasmo Rodríguez Cáceres and I began chatting about vices. This led to him acknowledging he has many vices and that he attends another church. He has agreed to receive study materials regarding whether the teachings of his church are in fact biblical. We are doing the planting. God gives the increase.

3. Robelo Castillo, a 78 year old man, remains open to the gospel. However his Catholic wife counters our teaching with controversial ideas. Robelo says he does not want to go to hell and he agrees with what we have presented regarding the plan of salvation.
4. In the past Jorge Luis Cárcamo, a leader of an evangelical church, and I have debated doctrine. Most recently, he approached me about the war in Israel and how this might be fulfilling prophecy. After studying together he asked that we continue to study together. I will share with him the correct teachings of our Lord and Savior.
5. A perfume seller, Dania Castellanos, is receiving the gospel of Christ. She says she agrees but is wanting to be cautious in moving forward because she wants to be faithful to God.
6. I am explaining biblical teachings to Oscar Fonseca who attends another church. Our common point of contact is that he is the goal keeper for my son's soccer team and he owns the store where we buy sports shoes. I will be taking him some material to read.

I continue to teach one hour each Wednesday and Thursday afternoon on the TV program Resplandece (Shine). We have finished Revelation and are now working through the Old Testament as we prepare for the New Covenant in Christ Jesus. A group of about 20 brothers has requested that we continue the studies that we had during the pandemic. These classes will be in my home.

El Paraíso

1. We have been teaching a farmer, Anuar Velasquez, the gospel. He says that he will be the next to be baptized.

2. My wife has been teaching Eduardo Alvarado since childhood. She has taught him the plan of salvation.
3. Previously we had taught Alejandra Rodríguez, who lives in a mountainous region about 60 kilometers from the city. At that time she did not respond. However, she has resumed attending services and we have begun studies again with her. She says she is ready to be baptized.
4. A late teenager, Vanesa Pacheco, has indicated a desire to be baptized. However, she lives 90 kilometers away. She travels to El Paraíso to attend high school. In the new year after school resumes, we will study with her again.
5. My son Isai Nathanael has been studying with one of his friends, Miguel Silva. Miguel is almost ready to be baptized. I have been training Isai in both God's word and in apologetics. He is also helping out with our worship services.

In El Paraíso we are studying the book of Job. After this worship service ends and we eat lunch, then we travel to San Juan de Linaca where we are studying Revelation.

Tuesdays and Fridays are scheduled for evangelizing followed by evening devotionals.

San Juan de Linaca

1. A 56 year old hacienda worker who suffers with alcoholism is allowing us to teach in his home on Mondays and Wednesdays. He has a desire to come to Christ. His wife, Maria, is a quiet and humble person who attends another church. Their teenage daughter, Nexi, helps out with the hacienda as well, instead of attending school.
2. We are teaching both Alexis and Mariana Carrasco. While they work on legalizing their marriage, we will continue to teach them.
3. Marta Herrera, a sister of one of the church leaders (Elvin Herrera) has not yet made a decision for Christ.
4. Ivan Gonzales indicates that he will soon make the decision to be baptized. He is both a primary school teacher as well as the barber in this town. His wife, Mariela, has talked with my wife and is open to studying.

Recently we received from World Bible School a four lesson series entitled, "The Life of Jesus." We are challenging leaders to set up a Bible study in their home using this material. I am encouraged and hopeful that this will yield fruit.

I have provided Mission Lazarus with the names of church children in El Paraíso. Mission Lazarus provides Christmas gifts for the children.

Through San Marcos de Colon, nebulizers from the US, are being distributed. Several doctors are collaborating with us to provide examinations for people who might be helped with these machines. So far, we have received 58 requests for nebulizers.

Thank you very much, dear brothers, for your support. God will give you a good reward. We will remain faithful to our work.

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