

Reaching The Deaf For Christ

Fall 2019

Greetings Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support. We are blessed to see God work in the Deaf communities in Mexico, Cuba, The Bahamas, Uganda and beyond. God continues to do great and mighty things and we're happy to share what God is doing in the report below. We hope you are encouraged as we are!

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Cuba

We praise God that our Cuba Ministry is doing well despite the economic crisis and shortage of food and gas throughout the island. The government is restricting activities to save on gas and food thus we have not been able to receive approval for our 2020 revival as of yet. Please join us in **PRAYING** for God's favor on this exciting event. This is such an important gathering that encourages and strengthens the Deaf community to grow in their walk with the Lord, we know our **God is able** and we trust that He will work all things out for us. We in faith are still planning to travel to Cuba **January 14-22**, **2020** with a small team to encourage the Deaf community and share the Love of Christ.

Despite these challenges the OSCO Leaders are still ministering to the Deaf and have had some local outreaches, retreats and workshops. We Thank God for their obedience and not forgetting to meet together for worship despite the challenges they are facing. (Hebrews 10:25)

Prayer Request: Pray for wisdom and guidance for our directors Israel & Loida and the ministry team. Pray also that God will keep them strong, healthy and faithful to the call.







Mexico

Pastor Salvador and the MCCS team are working hard in Mexico serving the Lord and the Deaf Community. We praise God that the students are learning and growing in their faith. Recently the students are learning the importance of prayer and how





to pray to their heavenly Father.

The deaf adults are continuing to meet together in homes where they are being encouraged and learning God's word together. We praise God that 2 deaf people prayed to receive Christ recently after a home meeting. We thank God these small gatherings are proving to be a great discipleship tool to help the deaf know Jesus better.

Prayer Request: Pray for God's continued protection for all of our MCCS staff, ministry team, Deaf community and especially Salvador. Also, pray that God will bring more students and that all our students will grow quickly in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

The Bahamas

On September 1st - 3rd Hurricane Dorian raged through the waters of The Bahamas leaving destruction in its path on 2 islands, Abaco and Grand Bahama. In response to this terrible disaster we made a commitment to support the Deaf community in need. Kayla traveled to Nassau, Bahamas October 1-11 to provide encouragement and important relief items to the Deaf community in need in Nassau and Freeport, Grand Bahama. She spent 8 days in Nassau visiting the Deaf that had relocated from Abaco to Nassau after Hurricane Dorian. She and a small team (2 local volunteers from Nassau) also traveled to Freeport for 2 days to visit and provide relief supplies to the Deaf community there.

The goal was to meet the immediate physical needs of the Deaf community affected by Hurricane Dorian with groceries, hygiene items, and clothes as well as meeting the spiritual needs through encouragement and prayer. We visited with 18 Deaf people during our visit. We were able to deliver Blessing boxes with food and hygiene items as well as a Bible/Gospel Tract to each Deaf person and family. We also encouraged the Deaf in Nassau to join us for Sunday Service at our partnering Church, Abundant Life Bible Church.

Kayla said " It was truly a blessing for us to visit and hear their stories of survival through Hurricane Dorian. Each Deaf person thanked us for our visit and blessing box. It brought smiles to





their faces to know there are people who care for them and are praying for them."

THANK YOU to Everyone who has prayed, given, & donated items for Hurricane Relief for the Deaf Community in The Bahamas.

Prayer Request: Pray that God will continue to bless and encourage those recovering from Hurricane Dorian. Pray that those deaf who have moved to Nassau will join the ALBC deaf ministry.



Uganda, Africa





We Praise God that our building project fundraising goal at our partnering school in Jinja has been met! We will be able to finish the dorm for the deaf children, with roof, doors, windows and concrete floors! **Thank You** to those who donated to help make this possible. The deaf students will now have a safe and secure place to sleep.

Debbie ,Kayla and I are excited to be preparing for our visit to Uganda October 31st-Nov.9th. We will be bringing donated items with us for the schools and deaf children such as sewing machines, Bibles, hygiene kits, Tablets and Shoes. We know this will be a true blessing to the deaf children who will receive them. The sewing machines will be used to help the older students learn a vocational trade. A Special Thank You to Everyone who has donated these wonderful items we truly appreciate your willingness to partner with us in taking care of the least of these in Uganda.

Prayer Request: Pray for the students as they learn language, social skills and basic education. We look forward to the day that they will truly understand the Good News of Jesus Christ!

Please pray for our trip to Uganda for safe flights, smooth travels, divine appointments and a fruitful visit.

Bolivia Update

We thank God that Pastor Pablo and the Deaf Ministry team are continuing to learn and disciple the deaf in their Church. They recently met another missionary who was able to share a workshop on Bolivian Sign language for the Books of the Bible, Sign Names for Important people in the Bible and Christian vocabulary. This was such a vital tool for them as they begin interpreting and reaching the Deaf community in La Paz.

Prayer Request: Please pray for Pastor Pablo and the Deaf Ministry team as they continue to evangelize, encourage, and disciple the deaf in their Church and community.



"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

Matthew 25:40

We Praise God for your Prayers and Support, TOGETHER with God's Help We Are Making a Difference for Eternity!

Tom Turner & ICCD Team

Ways You Can Help ICCD

- 1. PRAY for our ministry "The prayers of a righteous person is powerful and effective."
- 2. Remember ICCD in your Estate Planning

You can add ICCD in your estate planning as if we were one of your children. In this way your children and the Lord's work are all blessed equally. That would make a huge difference for the Lord's work for the Deaf.

- 3. Donate a vehicle and receive a tax deductible receipt.
- 4. Sponsor a Missionary, Deaf Child or School.

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