

#### ICCD 2021 Report

- 382 Deaf people have come to know Christ as their Lord and Savior!
- Despite the challenges of COVID-19, thousands of Deaf have been ministered to virtually through Zoom Bible Studies, In-Person Visits, Prayer groups, Facebook and WhatsApp.
- 2,107 Deaf have been prayed for and have received special blessing bags with food, water, and vital supplies during the 2021 year.
- Your generous response to the COVID crisis in Uganda blessed the Deaf children with much needed food and supplies. Praise God for the \$6,434 given!

### Thank You!





Dear Donor,

We praise God for you and all that He has been doing among the Deaf that we serve in Mexico, Cuba, The Bahamas, Uganda, Bolivia and Brazil. We would like to thank you for your prayers, generous giving, and faithful support in Reaching the Deaf for Christ. We are very grateful for all you have done to advance the Mission of ICCD. We praise the Lord that COVID-19 has not stopped the work of the Lord or ICCD in sharing God's love and His Word with the Deaf around the World.

Our mission remains to reach the largest unreached people group in the world today: the Deaf. A Big Smile and Thank You from our Deaf friend in Uganda receiving your COVID Relief Support!



Our passion is to see the lives of Deaf children, teens and adults transformed by providing food, safe haven, Christian Education and the life-saving message of Jesus Christ. Together we are building communities, educating for life, making disciples for Jesus Christ, equipping local Churches, and partnering with Christian Schools.

## Our Team Serving the Lord

- Brazil- Praise God within a year of beginning the ministry 19 Deaf people have trusted Christ as Savior in Brazil! Israel and Loida and their team have been working hard in ministering to the Deaf community through Soccer and Shadow Theater (a black light presentation with sign language, music, and the Gospel Message)
- The Bahamas- A successful outreach event was held when Kayla Rohr and Abby Newman traveled there June 30-July 7. They encouraged the Deaf to grow in their relationship with the Lord and to not forsake meeting together. 13 Deaf young adults attended Church and one Deaf young adult made a commitment to be in Church every Sunday.
- Bolivia- Our ministry team is working on translating the Bible into Bolivian Sign Language. We are thrilled to be a part of this vital work and love seeing how God is using the Deaf to translate the Bible so other Deaf can know of His love for them. (Continued)

- **Cuba** Despite the many challenges our Cuban ministry partners are facing with the failing economy, rising COVID-19 cases and political unrest, our team remains faithful to the call of sharing the Gospel with the Deaf in Cuba. Over 400 Deaf people were evangelized, new methods of ministry were applied, food and support was delivered and 12 Deaf were baptized!
- **Mexico-** "The pandemic has been a time of blessing to MCCS!" said Pastor Salvador, the director of our Mexico ministry. He and his team have expanded their reach from 2-3 local areas to all across Mexico through Zoom. Now they are reaching many more Deaf for Christ and equipping more churches in providing access for the Deaf in their services.
- Home Office- Tom, Debbie, and Kayla praise God for the wonderful volunteers who came to help us with a workday at our Home Office in June. Thank you, volunteers, for your hard work in sprucing up the yard and organizing the office to prepare for our new missionaries. We continue to work hard supporting our foreign works.
- Missionaries- Pastor Jim and Debbie Walterhouse are working on raising their support to move to Roanoke, VA in the beginning of 2022 to serve in the home office with us. We thank God for them answering the call to serve the Lord and the Deaf. They have both already been serving with ICCD virtually by helping with the monthly Zoom Bible Study and Sign Language Classes.



Blessing the Deaf in their time of need.

Pastor Jim and Debbie Walterhouse



# God is Calling Us to New Initiatives:

- We thank and praise God for the expansion of our ministry in Uganda! We are now partnering with our third Christian school called Arise Africa in March. 35 more Deaf children now can have Joy, Hope and Jesus!
- We are in the planning stages of developing a vocational training facility and planting Deaf churches in Uganda.
- We are praying toward our year-end financial goal of \$500,000 to meet the rising ministry needs as we reach more Deaf for Christ. Year to date God has supplied through many generous donors like you, \$341,558. Our next milestone that we are praying for is \$158,442 by December 31.

### We Praise God that Our Impact is Changing Deaf People's Lives!

A Testimony from Uganda- Patrick is a Deaf teen who lives in Uganda. In 2019, when he entered our partnering school, he did not have any language, only gestures to communicate with his family and he didn't know about God's love for him. However, after attending our school for 2 years, he has grown and matured. He now communicates effectively through sign language; he is very bright and just finished the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. He even scored the highest grade on his national exams. It was the best score in the whole school (300 students) and district. Best of all, Patrick also loves Jesus as His Lord and Savior!



We look forward to seeing what the Lord will do in Patrick's future. Your prayers and support help Patrick and many others like him to receive sign language, education, and the livesaving message of the Gospel. To God be the Glory great things he has done!

On behalf of all our ministry partners, Deaf brothers and sisters in Christ, and volunteers from around the world we want to say, "THANK YOU," for your faithful prayers and support. Thank you for allowing us to share this report with you on the amazing things God is doing and the impact our ministry is having in the lives of the Deaf community. We pray that God will continue to bless and protect each one of you. We give God all the Glory for the wonderful things He has done this year!

> We Love and Appreciate You So Much, Your Missionaries to the Deaf, Tom and Debbie Turner ≪ Kayla Rohr