ICCD

Together We Are Reaching the Deaf for Christ July/August 2022



Greetings Friends,

What a summer it has been! God has blessed ICCD in so many ways thanks to your prayers and support. We are excited to share some awesome testimonies on how God is working among the Deaf that we serve around the world. We praise the Lord that He has brought our new missionaries to our ICCD office safe and sound. We are so grateful for Pastor Jim and Debbie Walterhouse joining our team as we reach the Deaf for Christ together!

Mexico:

Our Summer Deaf Camp was held in Reynosa and Rio Bravo this year through four outreach events on July 20th-24th. We thank God for our eight team members from the US and our staff at MCCS who shared the love of Jesus with all the Deaf kids, teens, and adults that attended. We praise the Lord that as a result of the outreach events, 10 Deaf adults decided to follow Jesus!

The Bahamas:

Wyatt and Kayla led our mission team of 22 people from Virginia for our Bahamas Summer Deaf Camp July 12th-15th. Our theme was "Jesus Is Worthy!" Pastor Joel Wegner of Colonial Baptist Church shares his experience while serving with ICCD as follows: "Early on Saturday morning, July 9th, twenty people met at church at 4:00 AM to depart for the Greensboro Airport. We were heading on a missions trip to work with the deaf in the Bahamas with ICCD and missionaries Wyatt and Kayla Massie. During my 3:00 AM devotions that morning, before I left my house, the Lord gave me a verse to claim for the trip.

The verse was 2 Timothy 4:17. Paul says,"The Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching (of the gospel) might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear." I personalized these words and claimed them for my own. Paul's heartbeat became my heartbeat for this trip. However, in place of the word "Gentiles", I prayed that the preaching of the Gospel might be fully known and that all the "deaf Bahamians" might hear.

Little did I know, that on this trip, the Lord would open up a compartment of my heart that I have never entered before. I really don't know any deaf people, nor have I had much interaction with the deaf. Yet, in just one week, I now have a new love for the Deaf that I've never known. They are precious people. They are just like you and me, but they talk with their hands. The deaf desperately need the Gospel of Jesus. My heart is now inclined to help reach the Deaf like never before."

We praise God that 1 young boy prayed to receive Christ, while others were encouraged to remember that Jesus is worthy of our praise, obedience, and sacrifice. We thank God for a wonderful time serving the Deaf teens and adults in The Bahamas.



ICCD Home Office Staff



MCCS Deaf Camp



Bahamas Deaf Camp



Pastor Joel chatting with a Deaf friend in Nassau, Bahamas



The Deaf Kids & Pastor Paul in Uganda

Uganda:

We thank the Lord that 6 Deaf children in Uganda prayed to receive Jesus as their Lord and Savior! It is so wonderful to see God working in the lives of the Deaf children in Uganda. We are currently working on a special project to build more dorms and a secondary school at Bridges of Glory to allow more Deaf children access to higher education and the gospel of Jesus Christ. We trust that God will provide the needed funds to expand our work in reaching the Deaf in Uganda.

Exciting News: Tom & Pastor Jim are off to India September 10th-19th, 2022! They will be meeting our friend Pastor Sam in India to see how they can share the gospel with the Deaf who are largely unreached and often uneducated. Please pray that God will help them as they prepare for this trip and ministry opportunity.

Send Their Greetings!



We truly praise God for all that He is doing around the world. Lives are being changed as a result of your praying and giving.

THANK YOU!!

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Pastor Jim & Debbie as they settle here in Virginia that God will provide for all their needs.
- 2. Continue to pray for our dear brothers and sisters in Cuba as Dengue Fever is on the rise there and an oil farm has caught fire. The country was already facing a gas shortage. Pray God will bless, protect, and provide for our ministry partners there.
- 3. Pray for our missionaries in Brazil as they minister to the Deaf that God will give them strength, health, and wisdom.







OUR BLESSING BAGS MADE IT TO THE BAHAMAS & MEXICO!
Thank you for making this possible!

Thank you for partnering with us to share the good news of Jesus with the Deaf around the world. We truly love and appreciate you much, Tom, Debbie, Wyatt, Kayla, Pastor Jim, & Debbie W.

FEAR NOT, O LAND; BE GLAD AND REJOICE, FOR THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS! JOEL 2:21

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