



Whirlwind Missions

Outreach Update September 2005

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Hello, my friends!

This has been the most amazing summer ever! It is SO exciting to see God's people at work in the unchurched community. Our largest outreach had over 40 churches participating in 52 apartment complexes—that was over 1,200 people involved in just one week! There were 78 professions of faith during that outreach! There have been over 100 children and adults who have asked Christ into their lives in the last two months. We opened up brand new work in over a dozen locations throughout Metro Atlanta. I remember one lady telling me, "You know Tim, I've been doing summer missions for 14 years and I have NEVER seen anything like what you're doing here in Atlanta. The week I spent here working with your ministry has changed my life forever!" Amen to that, Sister!

Most of the communities where we work have nothing going on for the kids in their complex. The children destroy the property and generally get into trouble. The gangs in this area are at an all time high. I had a meeting with the Gang Task Force with the DeKalb Police Department yesterday. I am active in helping them eliminate this scourge to our city. They told me that there are "over 127 active gangs in our area." That is shocking and discouraging at the same time. Most of these gangs recruit kids to help them sell drugs. Just about every day one of the kids at the mission tells me about some one at their school asking them, "Who you claim?" They lift up their shirts to show them the color belt that they wear—letting them know which gang they're a part of. It's so sad to see good kids go down the wrong trail. I wish I could tell you that all the children I work with stay out of that, but I can't. One of the young men I worked with several years ago is now in jail for homicide. What a heartbreak. I always ask myself, "What else could I have done?" YOUR part is SO important in this process. Please pray for the families that we work with!

This week has seen our ministry open up two new missions in heavily Hispanic areas. Gainesville, GA is know as the "Chicken city." They have huge factories where they grow and distribute chickens. The vast majority of their workers are Latino. We opened work in Gainesville with the help of several evangelical churches in the area. This morning I was in Cumming where three other churches will be helping us reach two trailer parks. What wonderful news! On my way home I talked with a management company that let us know that our mission in Conyers, GA has been sold to a new owner and he wants \$745/month rent. Obviously we can't handle that! It's sad to see such a thriving ministry stop, but that's they way this work is. I look forward to seeing where God will open up the new location! Keep praying—God is at work!



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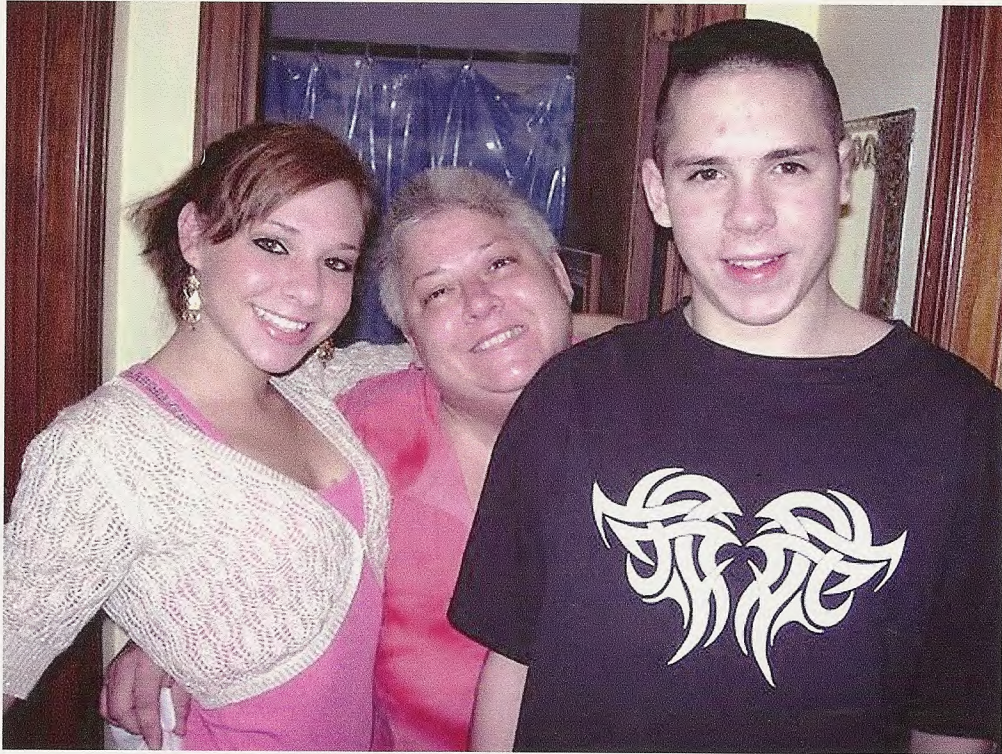
This is my Nicaraguan family! From the left: Randall, Tito—who plays Keyboards in our band Cruz, is Associate Pastor of the Cristo Vive congregation. He was just ordained by the Christian & Missionary Alliance church. Ruth is always supportive of her sons. Lester and his wife Nadia just dedicated their baby daughter, Sophia. Lester also plays percussion for Cruz and leads the music for Calvary Christian Fellowship in Duluth.



Without out our wives I know we can truly say we wouldn't be where we are today! What a blessing a loving wife brings to our lives! On the left is Nadia and their eldest daughter Victoria (who was just told she had to eat her macaroni before she got ice cream!)

Kathy is sitting next to Patricia, who is Tito's wife.





Firsst day of Parkview High School for BOTH my kids. Ashley and Jesse are doing great. Kathy is on the teacher faculty for DeKalb School System and for Dekalb Tech.

