



THE SUDDETH FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATE

Encouraging, Equipping, and Entrusting National Pastors

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Strengthening Churches

Strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God. - Acts 14:22

And Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, encouraged and strengthened the brothers with many words. - Acts 15:32

And he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches. - Acts 15:41

So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily. - Acts 16:5

After spending some time there, he departed and went from one place to the next through the region of Galatia and Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples. - Acts 18:23



Those participating in the spiritual leadership class in the church in El Espave.

Our desire continues to be to strengthen local churches, primarily by working with pastors, so that Christians may grow in their faith and so that others may be reached with the gospel. With that in mind ...

One of the recent highlights of our ministry has been the spiritual leadership classes at a local church in a town called El Espave. César, the pastor and a good friend, asked Clip to teach some classes on leadership to key people in the church. We are currently studying the life of Paul, and the studies have been great. Next, the group wants to study the book of Acts. So, of course, that is what we will do. The excitement the people have for

learning and applying the Word is contagious! They are truly hungry to know more of God and His Word and to make a difference in their families, their church, and their community.

You may recall from our last newsletter that those who complete the classes and memorize a verse each week will be awarded with a nice, good quality study Bible. Everyone is anxious to earn their Bible; even more, they are anxious to *use* their study Bible, and we praise the Lord that these brothers and sisters in Christ seem to be quite committed.

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Edgardo, a young man we have mentioned in previous letters, having fun as we begin one of our weekly discipleship meetings in our home.

Prayer Requests & Praises

- Please continue to pray for our neighbors, Victor, Sonia, and David, that they will be saved. Pray that we will take advantage of opportunities to share the gospel with them.
- Please continue to pray for those who are participating in the spiritual leadership classes. Specifically pray that they will apply what they are learning to their lives.
- Please continue to pray concerning the spiritual health of the Panamanian church. Panamá is a strategic place to have an international impact for the gospel, but the church must be prepared.

May the Lord bless you with a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:11