

# Guatemala



## Liggett Letter: January/February 2018

Here in Guatemala, the year always begins and ends with a very literal big bang. On Christmas Eve and New Years Eve at 11:59 pm, the skies explode in every direction into a beautiful cascade of colors as fireworks are launched by millions. It sounds as though the entire world is at war as cracks and bombs continuously explode, near and far. One could almost feel the earth moving under his feet while witnessing the intensity of the event around him. It is an amazing and breathtaking sight to behold!

The ministry work here also has begun the New Year with a big bang!! We were blessed by a shipment of Christmas gifts to give to the children in our new church plant. *Thank you to Pastor Trey Reid & First Baptist Church, Robinson, IL for sending Christmas gifts for the children, a small symbol of the greatest gift, Jesus Christ.*



The New Year began with the preparation of a new meeting place, logo and sign for the church plant, **Via de Esperanza Iglesia Bautista**. *Thank you Bobby Hughes & Grace Harbor Baptist Church, Grove, OK for designing and donating the logo to our ministry.*

We are thankful that God has allowed us to rent a small meeting hall and an attached apartment in which to hold services and Sunday school classes.



While the building was being prepared, we continued outreach efforts into the local community. Many smiles and conversations were had while passing out hundreds of flyers in the surrounding neighborhood. Even Piper and Kamden were excited to personally hand out flyers and were greeted with grins and kind words as they charmed the passersby. It is a great joy and honor to serve Christ in a foreign land and that joy is amplified when it can be done alongside your children. These activities resulted in several new visitors attending services.

This is a new church and new idea in La Comunidad, please pray God will soften and open the hearts and minds of those whom we have interacted with and that they will come to know Him.

As an outreach, we will begin hosting a special event every month at church, to get to know our church family and draw in more families from the community! This month we will be holding an early breakfast on a Sunday morning before church. If your church would like to sponsor this event, or any future event, please contact us and we would love to tell you how you can **personally get involved** in the evangelistic efforts here in Guatemala!



**Thank you** for your prayers & support as we partner for this great missionary endeavor.

Serving together,

*Jonathan & Joanna Liggett*