



Audacious!

Dear Friends,

That is our word for this year, audacious. Sometimes we need to set goals in our lives, a target to aim for so that we are driven towards God's best for us and others.

In this case, we want to formally announce our **Next Audacious Goal**. In August of next year, the Father's House Church in Chiquinquirá will be celebrating its 25th anniversary, 25 years of discipling, planting churches and growing the Kingdom.



As Patty and I have been praying about that date, we feel that God is asking us to aim for something audacious, *to complete the church's gymnasium and hold its inauguration service on the church's 25th anniversary!* We want to make this the biggest celebration in years!

So, how to we get from here (above) to there?

Since we last wrote, mentioning that we had 15 of the 130k needed for the roof, we and GOD have been busy! We have been working alongside Pastor German and his team, putting in the crossbeams needed for the roof.



And God has been busy sending donors. *We now have 90K! towards the roof and at least SIX! work teams coming* in the next year. With them and God's help, we believe that we can put in the floors & electrical, even as our local workers install the roof. A long way to go? Maybe, but **God is able!**

A Couple Needs - MET!

In our last letter, we shared about some of the needs for the Father's House School, and now we can say:

1 video projector - done!

3, 55" TV's, done!

1 multi function printer - done!



Thank you so much to our donors!!!



And A New Need To Be Aware Of:

Over the last few months, we have been hit with a double whammy, financially speaking. We had a larger donor pass away and 2 churches run into difficulties, which has affected our monthly income. But the other has been a HUGE shift in the value of the Colombian Peso against the dollar, meaning that we are spending 25% - 30% more on everything we buy.

God has been faithful and we have seen some generous gifts, but we still need to see our monthly support increase.

Celebrate With Us!

God loves it when we celebrate our children's accomplishments and that goes double for our extended family at The Refuge.



Recently, we were able to celebrate Christian, who has just graduated with his degree in Business Administration. Now,

he is pursuing his masters degree and is moving to a new town for his studies. Please pray for his continued success.

Then comes Diego and Jonathan, like Christian, they have been at the Refuge since we started working there some 12 or 13 years ago. We have seen them grow up, seen their successes and their failures, but Patty and I have always worked towards making their home a better place to live... and to be honest, that has never been easy.



Me, Diego, Pastor Alex & Jonathan

But now we are seeing these guys flourish. Diego has just graduated as a lawyer and Jonathan is about to do the same! We are so incredibly proud of them!

And then there is this guy, our guy, James. Now graduated as a Licensed Commercial Pilot, he will receive his degree in Geography & Aviation. It has taken five years, with his flight training delayed by the pandemic, but he is done!



Just a few of week ago, before we returned to Bogota from our latest speaking and fund raising tour, James took Patty and I flying for the 1st time. It was actually a present from both him and Darien. There was a lot of tears and gratitude in that moment.

It was James' 1st time flying as a Commercial Pilot!

Our Travels

Being in Canada a few weeks each year has become part of our routine. *Visiting churches, pastor's conferences and the like are part of the job description.* And of course being able to pop in on our boys and get out of the pressure cooker of life in Bogota is a HUGE bonus.



But in April, we were doing another kind of Missionary travel. We travelled to the Dominican Republic to share in churches and be part of a large missions conference.

On Easter Sunday Patty and I shared our stories in San Pedro, in the church of our friend & fellow missionary, Malcolm Taylor and his wife Yanet. Four people made a decision for Christ in that service!

Then Patty & I went to Nagua for the 1st ever multi-church Missions Conference in the area. - organized by our friends Sharon & Adrian Thomas and Ryan & Heather Deweerd of Every Day Ministries.

Patty and I spoke on Reaching The Invisible - ministering to the outcasts in society. Our audience held dozens of pastors and leaders from several denominations.

For me, seeing Patty speaking, teaching; seemed to be a foreshadowing of what God is calling her to do more and more, share her expertise in working Children at Risk, - raising awareness and training new workers.

Gracias! for your prayers, support and friendship.

Much Love!

Darren & Patty

Your contribution, big or small is so important to Patty, myself and the people we reach. Missions is only successful when a large team joins hands to reach across the world. *Please partner with us through your giving.*

Canada: Cheques made out to the: PAOC. With a note naming Darren & Patricia McCrea. PAOC, 2450 Milltower Court, Mississauga, ON, L5N 5Z6

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