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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH

Frank's Update



Sharing the Bible with two bisexual young ladies

Shalom - Lately, I've met a lot of Christians at our local outreaches who seemed to have allowed the world to distort their priorities (*not hard to do these days*). I hope & pray you're staying focused primarily on things eternal. Enjoy this selection of outreach stories:



The President's Gavel



International Conference: For nine days in May, I was in Ecuador for our international conference. It was a great & busy time with ~80 OAC staff from 21 of the 27 nations where we have official branches. The time there included the conference, evangelism outreaches, site-seeing, & much travel; primarily by chartered buses. The cities we spent the most time in were Puyo & Riobamba. Most of the time we were at an elevation of ~9,000 feet! Our conference hotel was located very close to a tributary of the Amazon River. I even got to see leaf-cutter ants in action; before, I'd only saw them on nature shows--*so cool!*

The host team put us all to Kingdom work & it was a blessing to serve the Lord in that beautiful country. Our small team got to minister at an upper-class, Catholic school--our translator said simply being there was a miracle. The plan was that we would share two presentations; one with the younger students & one with the older. At the first, there were ~275 wonderful, enthusiastic kids, who took in every word we preached about our Lord & Savior. After that, the school's leader approached & thanked us for being there, but she stopped us from sharing with the other group! In total, we participated in 33 Gospel outreaches, reaching **~4,500 people!**

You may have heard of the five American missionaries who were killed in Ecuador back in the 50's, including Jim Elliot & Nate Saint. Well, we had the privilege of hearing the grandson of one of the men who killed the missionaries testify that he & a portion of his tribe were now Christians & that they were sharing the Gospel! They even sang "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" for us in three languages! You can see most of what I've discussed in this 4.5 minute video: <https://vimeo.com/952011353?share=copy>



The Puyo River



Me preaching at the Catholic school

“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added to you.” - The Lord Jesus (Matthew 6:33)

Sharing at our Wednesday
Kids Bible club



Some Stats (since 8 May)
We shared the Gospel **50 times** with
over 1,700 souls. Of those, **82**
professed Jesus as their Lord & Savior!

“...they reported all that God had done
with them...” - Acts 14:27



Townsend Avenue Kids:

Our faithful volunteer, Tammie, recently stepped up to present the Bible story with the paint board! On another Wednesday, one of our regular girls asked me about boys becoming girls. **Please pray** for these precious children.

Another’s Perspective: Here’s a quote from the leader of a homeless ministry that I partner with: *“It was initiated by a group band with no name, who are joined together by their love to worship our Lord, led by Matt C. They are amazing, talented and gifted....The Good News was delivered by an open air street evangelist Frank Baldus. Most of the guests were glued to Frank’s explanation about the Gospel. Teriyaki Chicken was on the menu...We got plenty of helpers to set up and tear down. It makes the outreach much easier and we used the extra time to reach out to the guests. Total guests were in the 60s. The Name of our Lord Jesus and His finished work at the Cross were made known across all the outreaches.”*

Thanks & Praises:

- ❖ His blessing that was on our conference
- ❖ A new (used) vehicle
- ❖ Selling my truck to a nephew
- ❖ For PrintingforHim.com--they print my newsletters for free!
- ❖ The Lord using even me

Prayer Requests:

- For all the people we got to share with
- Saints dealing with death in their families
- New, younger staff & volunteers
- Salvation of lost family & friends
- Strength & help to be faithful...



New Partnership: A sweet Sister-in-Christ connected me to Powerhouse Church in Watts & I’ve served there several times during this reporting period. The church shares a wall with the Imperial Courts, a rough area of South-Central LA. **Please pray** for this church, future partnerships, & safety for the people.

Powerhouse Church VBS



Seal Beach Ministry: After a few conversations where people were resistant, I met **Travis** & his girlfriend. She testified that she was a Christian. Travis said that he was not against or for the faith. He was a botanist, so I steered the conversation toward science. We talked about the existence of the universe, it not being eternal, the ‘big bang’ problems, the fossil record, etc. We both respectfully listened to each other & the conversation ended well. His friend was obviously grateful that we conversed.

Thanks for your support to make these Kingdom things happen! My next update should be out in November. To God be the glory! Love in Christ, frank

As OAC missionaries, we depend on the Lord to provide financially through His people & church fellowships. My recent financial support was 47% of my monthly goal. Donations are tax-deductible when made out to “OAC” & mailed to OAC, P.O. Box D, Nazareth, PA 18064. Please include a note stating that your gift is to go into my account. On-line giving can be done at OACUSA.ORG. When there, click on “Giving” at the top & then on “United States click here.” Under “Choose A Designation - Fund,” you’ll find me listed as “Baldus - Frank.” Lastly, OAC is a member in good standing with the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability.

