

We had a blessed time of ministry May 14-27, 2024, in Ecuador. Our OACI teams reached out to indigenous communities in the rainforest jungle in Puyo and ministered in the higher altitudes of Riobamba and Chimborazo, visiting schools, military academies, parks, indigenous communities and churches. We navigated narrow highways by bus. We rode on the back of pickup trucks, took a cable car over a 2,000-foot river gorge and shared meals with native tribes. Carmen translated for Tom and other team members.

The Lord renewed our strength daily to be able to handle both the Ecuadorian jungle to 10K foot mountain climate and the 16-18-hour ministry days.

God's presence and his watch care was evident as he spared all 82 participants from any medical emergencies or incidents.

Ecuador is such an open door for the Gospel. We trust in God's promise that His word will never return void, ensuring that the seeds we sowed in Ecuador will bear fruit so that those who hear His voice may commit to His lordship.





(Above) At an elementary school in Puyo sharing the message of salvation on the sketchboard in Spanish with Carmen translating. (Below) The Waorani with Meniwa Nenquimo, the grandson of Mincaye, one of the Ecuadorian Indians who murdered the five American missionaries in 1956, met with us and testified about the transforming power of the Gospel. Meniwa said, "In seeing the love of God in the missionaries, we laid down our spears and picked up the Bible."





Indian Bible College, Flagstaff, AZ 04.2024



Creative Ministry Methods through Sketchboard Evangelism taught by Tom and his friend and colleague, Mark Kennedy at Indian Bible College. Students learned ladder lettering, borders, scenery, and the method of preaching while painting using the story of the rich young ruler from Matthew 19:16-22.

The lesson illustrates the encounter's dynamics, questioning whether it is possible for anyone to comply with all of God's law and highlighting the dilemma of loving worldly goods over God. Because youth, material wealth, or power alone cannot make anyone truly happy, the lesson demonstrates that only Jesus can bridge the gap between a sinful humanity and a sinless God.

The Indian Bible College has been one of our consistent ministry fields since 2010.

SET Students, Baltimore, MD 07.2024

This summer we partnered once again with East Baltimore Graffiti Church (EBGC) during their summer camp to train our Sketchboard Evangelism Training (SET) students how to do kid's clubs. We are thankful for the church partnership with Pastor Charlie Brown whose church serves faithfully in the Baltimore Inner City.





Boardwalk Ministry, Ocean City, MD 08.2024

We spent some rewarding days in Ocean City, Maryland, doing ministry work with Ryan Itzel and his extended family. It is so touching to see how God's love reaches people of all walks of life. Our highlight was the conversation and prayer with two students who professed their desire to pursue a relationship with Christ. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve and see God's hand at work in such vibrant place.





Aberdeen Bible Church Mission Conference, Aberdeen, MD 09.2024

The gracious hospitality of the Aberdeen Bible Church in Aberdeen, Maryland was so heartwarming. Tom's message regarding the Apostle Paul urging Timothy to endure hardship; press on in faith, even when the road is tough, trusting in the strength and grace that only God provides was well-received. As a result of our participation, Carmen and I were invited to visit missionaries in Guatemala and explore partnership with local churches to train evangelists to do open air preaching. The Lord be praised!







Connecting with churches, colleges, and universities is one of the best ways to increase the exposure of OAC's ministry in the USA. Please pray with us for God to call more evangelists into this gospel ministry.

Cairn World Reach Week 09.2024

We made connections with students and faculty at Fall 2024 World Reach Week at Cairn University in Langhorne, PA. We praise the Lord for providing the opportunity to present OAC methods of evangelism at classes and share at the World Food Feast with many students. One of the class professors expressed her desire for us to return next semester to speak to her students during an entire class session.





World Food Feast at Cairn U

Ambassadors Fellowship

Ambassadors Fellowship Inc. (AFI) is an international, interdenominational, African-American led, multi-ethnic mission agency which has as its mandate to reach the lost world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Tom and Ryan Itzel taught evangelism and led two teams during the AFI Summer Youth Camp on the Eastern Shore in Maryland.

Wedding Fox-Pelham

On March 16, 2024, God saw it fit for Carmen and I to be married at Belcroft Bible Church. We are grateful that God has allowed us to find in each other a partner in marriage to bring glory to His name. We're praying that Christ is honored in our marriage and ministry together and that we do all for his namesake.







Evangelism Training

If your church is interested in evangelism training or joining Tom and Carmen in their gospel ministry, please contact us to schedule a time to discuss logistics and plan an outreach in your community.

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Psalm 27: 1, 14

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Wait for the Lord;

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

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