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Team Expansion

Together Venezuela

Church Planting with Sam Schutz

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"I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

Matthew 16:18

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Five More Baptized In July

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

July was another good month of growth for Siempre Con Cristo.

Shortly after returning to Venezuela from a brief stay in Rochester I was able to talk to six people about repentance and baptism. Five were high school students who had been attending youth group for over a month after being invited by their Biology teacher, Thania who we baptized in April.

We praise God that of those six people, four made the decision to be baptized,

giving their lives to Jesus Christ! On July 28th, Diana, Genesis, Jean Carlos and Yenitza took the plunge and joined the Christian family. Paula the grandmother of a church member also was baptized in July for a total of five baptisms.

Thank you very much for your continued support. You are part of a growing community of Christ-followers in Venezuela.

With Joy in Christ,

Sam

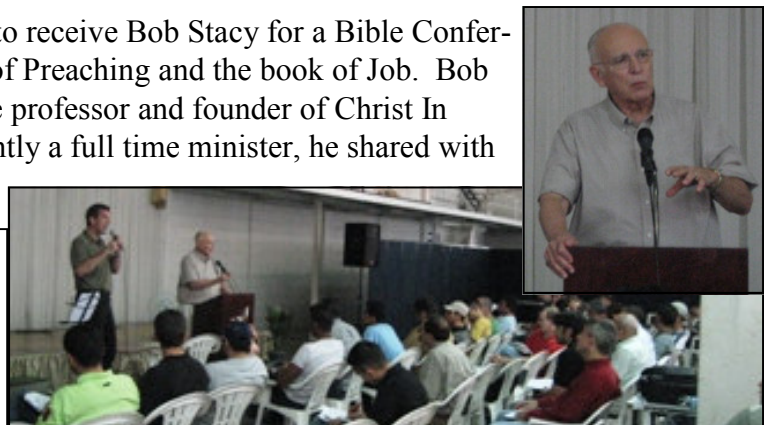


(From L to R) Diana, Jean Carlos, and Genesis, three high school students are baptized. Diana and Genesis are sisters. Two others, Yenitza and Paula, were baptized the same day.

Bible Conference Features CIY Founder

In July we were blessed to receive Bob Stacy for a Bible Conference on the two themes of Preaching and the book of Job. Bob is a former Bible College professor and founder of Christ In Youth ministries. Currently a full time minister, he shared with us on July 4th weekend.

Bob Stacy (far right) presents at the Casarapa church plant with Eric translating. We hold 2-3 conferences per year, inviting accomplished pastors and professors.



Mission SUV Newest Tool for Church Planting

On July 20th I was able to purchase a vehicle for the mission. First, God provided the funds to purchase the vehicle through you the generous financial supporters of this mission. Second, God provided the vehicle to purchase with the funds through Team Expansion teammates Johnny and Zandra Dye. Therefore I give God double thanks and praise for his providence.

And I say thank you and well done to all of you partners of this mission for your giving and your prayers. This vehicle is an incredibly powerful tool for the cause of Christ in Venezuela. Our team in Cua now has more ability to transport servants of God and any equipment they might need to evangelize Venezuela in powerful ways.

The vehicle, a 2000 Ford Explorer 4x4 2-door 5-speed V6, was purchased for 37,000,000 Bolivares (approximately \$10,000) which is a fair price considering the high cost of vehicles in Venezuela.

After a year and a half on the field relying on rides from teammates, public transportation, and my own two feet for transportation, I am filled with thanksgiving.



Fellow Team Expansion team member Zandra Dye completes the transaction by handing me the keys to my new mission vehicle. A 2000 Ford Explorer.

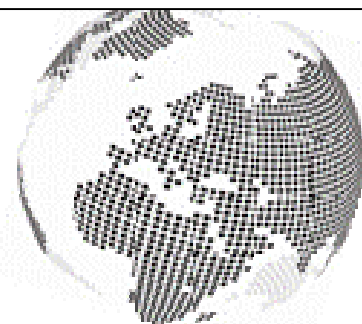
Shopping Spree Part 2

I was in Rochester for two weeks in June/July. As always it was great to see friends and family. It was advantageous to touch base with Meadow Park Worship Pastor Ric Rozsa on his upcoming Bible Conference in October. It was also a blessing to get my hands on some quality sound and music equipment. The church aquired:

- a 20 port powered mixer (right),
- an electric/acoustic guitar,
- two splash cymbals,
- and a music cable snake and two DI-boxes,



among other items. Praise God that all of the equipment arrived safely in Venezuela.



Prayer/Praise Points

- ◆ **Praise** for the mission vehicle purchase, for God’s providence and for the generosity of this mission’s financial supporters
- ◆ **Praise** that all the equipment purchased in the US made it safely to Venezuela in spite of being overweight and (technically) packaged inappropriately.
- ◆ **Pray** for the upcoming Bible Conferences in October and January.
- ◆ **Pray** for growth and maturity for all of the believers of Siempre Con Cristo, and in particular the youths.



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