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2021 VISION

"SEEK THE LORD"



*Christ Came, Died, was Buried,
Resurrected, & will Return*

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PARTNERSHIP IN THE GOSPEL

*I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, **because of your partnership in the gospel** from the first day until now.*

Philippians 1:3-5

Paul is the most effective gospel preacher the world will ever see. His labors did more to spread the good news of Jesus across the whole world than anyone in history. Yet, he could not have done anything without the partnership of other believers. He was supported by their prayers and by their financial contributions. Christians supported Paul in preaching to people they would likely never meet on this side of heaven.

The Summit family partners with ministries across the world in the same way the Philippians partnered with Paul. In this article, I'd like to tell you about one of those ministries, the Iglesia de Cristo in Telica, Nicaragua.

The town of Telica sits in the shadow of an active volcano and has a population of 26,000. The church in Telica works tirelessly to see that everyone knows about Jesus. Led by the minister, Enrique Escobar, the church goes out to the surrounding neighborhoods and nearby towns every Saturday to teach door to door. In November, they hosted a Ladies Day for the community and other churches in the region that attracted more than 50 women. In December, they held a weeklong campaign that brought 10 preachers from across Nicaragua to carry the gospel to the community.

This church is not letting the pandemic, government suppression, or the economic downturn deter them from faithfully telling the story of Jesus to everyone who will listen. I am reminded of the difficulties that Paul faced as he carried the gospel across the world. Our partnership with these faithful Christians feels a lot like that of the Philippians with Paul.

Summit has been a good partner financially with this ministry. We can do even better by faithfully praying for this ministry.



Tom, for the elders



From Neville's Desk...

DO NOT BE LIKE JONAH

This week we prepared a room in anticipation for visitors in the New Year. The carpet was cleaned, the walls were painted, and a bed was brought in. As soon as our preparation was completed our first "visitor", Ben Buchanan, arrived.

Similarly, to prepare for a great New Year, we need to do a "walk through inspection" of our current life. What must go? What must be repaired? And what must be brought in?

God cannot coexist with evil. In Psalm 5:4 we read: "For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you". In fact, God's "eyes are too pure to look on evil" and He "cannot tolerate

CHRISTLIKE LOVE

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John 13:34 - 35 (NLT) "³⁴So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. ³⁵Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

To love others was not a new commandment, but to love others as much as Christ loved others certainly was! Now we are to love others not based on if they love us, or how much they love you, but based on Jesus' sacrificial love for everyone. Love is more than a warm, fuzzy feeling, it is an attitude that reveals itself in action.

Jesus says that our Christlike love will show

wrong" (Hab.1:13 NIV).

Now, some of you might have ignored the discipline of the dreaded COVID 2020 year. You might have not altered your spiritual direction one iota. Like Jonah you might have stubbornly continued to walk away from God. If you are not willing to self-correct by implementing immediate self-discipline God might have something special for you.

Jonah 1:17 Now the LORD had **PREPARED** a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Friend, please do a "walk through inspection" now – avoid being like Jonah.



we are His disciples. This kind of loving is hard to do. If your capacity to love has remained unchanged for some time, first ask yourself why, and secondly ask God to fill you again with His never-ending supply and look for opportunities to express His love.

Such love will not only keep believers strong and united in a world hostile to God, but also bring unbelievers to Christ. Jesus was a living example of God's love and we are to be a living example of Jesus' love.

"Dear brothers and sisters, we can't help but thank God for you, because your faith is flourishing and your love for one another is growing." 2 Thessalonians 1:3 (NLT)



