



OUR FIGHT IS NOT OVER

Philippians 1:30: *We are in this struggle together. You have seen my struggle in the past, and you know that I am still in the midst of it.*

On December 1 we will be celebrating ten years of marriage and nine years serving in Nicaragua, but this year was very interesting.

This was the year when our church, “Arraigados,” was robbed; the year in which thousands of Nicaraguans left the country to seek a better economy (among them some of our dearest co-laborers); the year in which people also left the leadership of the church resulting in a great void; the year in which we have struggled to know how best to wisely live in this country where we serve; and the year of unsuccessful medical treatments. A year of struggle.

What is the result of such a year?

- Churches and people supported the church Arraigados financially and with prayers to replace all that was lost and to help us improve the security of the facilities.
- Kids Games, a massive evangelistic event was directed by a group of 20 people from Arriagados. (That’s crazy!)
- Arraigados Church made a commitment to weekly feed the people surviving in the garbage dumps in the community and share the gospel with them. This effort is bearing fruit by bringing these people to visit the church on a regular basis.
- Sharon and Hamilton, a young married couple, showed their commitment and devotion by serving as the new leaders of the youth group.
- The Arraigados Church worked together to complete various construction projects.
- An 18-year-old Nicaraguan named Anthony was sent to Costa Rica to train for three months with a ministry called Impulso and returned with an intense desire to serve God full-time.
- We have four new adult students of Grace Bible Institute: Huguette, Oscar, Cecilia and Carmen and one more young man named Yordin for a total of ten students.
- We were able to witness the multiplication of fruit through Maynor, Mercedes, Hamilton and Sharon who are discipling more people and also serve with great enthusiasm in everything they do.
- We were at the wedding of Aarón and Adela who are working hard in the church garden, a self-supporting project of the ministry where we



Missions Conference



Garbage dump outreach



Milo and Harold

sell papayas, lemons, bananas and other vegetables to help fund the ministries of the church.

- We did our first missions conference. As a result, we saw a strong commitment from the church to pray for missionaries, unreached ethnic groups, the needs of the members of the congregation and also the evangelization of Nagarote.
- A team of four people including Sharon, Hamilton, Mercedes and Anthony are interested in visiting Honduras in 2023 to plant a church in the near future. Therefore, they are preparing hard, studying English and studying in the Bible Institute to be able to serve as missionaries one day.
- And we intimately made the Lord our refuge and our joy, so we began to study the book of Philippians with the congregation to live the joy of Christ. Raquel even wrote a book named "Fruitful, the Eight Barren Ladies of the Bible"

We are thankful that although this world is harsh, God is faithful and glorious (Philippians 1:20).

This fight is not over, so we ask you to continue to join us in fighting for Christ and the spread of the gospel so that many may be saved in the midst of a world of suffering.

Pray for:

- Pray for the youth camp that we plan for December 3 and 4, so that many may believe in Christ and give their lives to him
- Pray for more students in Grace Bible Institute.
- Pray for our personal relationship with God and as a married couple, that we will always be a light wherever we go.
- Pray for the people we have invested in discipling for years, that they will live in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ Philippians 1:27.
- Pray for 2023 which will be a year of transition. What is it about? At the end of 2023 we want to move to Carazo (two hours from Nagarote) to start a new church. So, God prepared some interesting surprises for us. In January 2023, we will go to a leadership retreat in Colombia to take a break from ministry and refocus. In March 2023, an organization gave us a scholarship to be part of a training in Turkey on the travels of the Apostle Paul. During that time the ministry in Nicaragua will be guided by the Nicaraguan leaders and GMI team members Lily Ortega, Aarón and Adela Cordero. Meanwhile, in 2023 we hope to finish building the auditorium of Arraigados, continue with Grace Bible Institute classes, the discipleship of leaders in Nagarote and whatever God continues to direct us to obey Him.

With love. His servants in Christ,

Milo and Raquel



Bible Institute



Women's Bible study