



Dear faithful partners,

What a beautiful and humbling season this has been. Over the past three months, I've had the privilege of traveling across Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, and Iowa, sharing about what God is doing in Panama through Grace Ministries International. But more than the places I visited, what has touched my heart most deeply are the people I met and the fellowship that we shared. Traveling, visiting churches, worshiping together, sitting around tables, praying side by side, sharing presentations, having long conversations, reconnecting with old friends, and meeting so many of you face to face for the very first time has reminded me again and again how faithful God is in knitting His people together. Every handshake, every hug, every shared meal, every word of encouragement has carried the same quiet reminder: what an extraordinary privilege it is to be part of the Body of Christ.

One of the things that has impacted me most during this season is the genuine love and care people have shown. In every church and every home, people were not only interested in what we do in ministry, but in who we are. You listened to my story, prayed for me, encouraged me, opened your homes, shared your lives, and welcomed me with such warmth and kindness. I cannot fully express how much that has meant to me.

I'm also deeply thankful for those of you who had already been praying for me and supporting this ministry long before we ever met in person. Realizing there were people faithfully lifting me up before God without even personally knowing me is something that still moves me deeply. It reminds me that God truly builds a family through His Church—across nations, languages, and cultures.

During this time, I had the unexpected blessing of sharing at a women's gathering in Ohio, reconnecting with childhood friends I had not seen in years, and even seeing a dear friend from India after seventeen years apart. Each of these moments became a beautiful reminder that God continues working faithfully in people's lives over time.

One especially meaningful gift from the Lord during this season was being reunited with my siblings during Easter. My brother came from Mexico, my sister welcomed us in Iowa, and for the first time in many years, the three of us were together again. After years apart, it felt incredibly special and deeply personal—a reminder of God's kindness even in the middle of ministry travel.



Sharing at Anchor Point Bible Church



Having lunch with dear friends from Rush Creek Bible Church



Enjoying a meal with friends from Bethesda Church



Celebrating Easter with my family in Iowa

As many of you know, together with Anthony and Pamela Beaulieu, we continue serving in Panama with the dream and calling of planting a grace-centered church: a church where disciples of Jesus are formed, where lives are transformed for eternity, and where everything flows from the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Being able to share this vision with churches across the United States has strengthened and encouraged me more than I can fully describe. I've witnessed generosity, joy, compassion, sincere interest, and genuine partnership. I've watched people lean in—not simply to hear a story, but to become part of what God is doing through prayer, encouragement, and support.

And I want you to know this clearly: **your partnership truly matters.**

Every prayer, every word of encouragement, every financial gift, every act of support becomes part of what God is doing in Panama. You are helping create spaces where people encounter the grace and love of Jesus. You are helping strengthen believers, disciple people, and plant seeds that will bear eternal fruit.

This season also reminded me personally of something very important: the One whose approval matters most is my Heavenly Father. He is the One who called me, chose me, and sent me. I do not serve trying to earn His love—I serve because I am already loved. Because my cup overflows, I can pour out freely.

Now that I have returned to the field in Panama, my heart is deeply grateful and quietly in awe of how good and faithful God truly is.

“I have put my hand to the plow and I'm not looking back.”
— Luke 9:62

Thank you for believing in what God is doing in Panama. Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, your hospitality, your encouragement, and your love. Thank you for walking alongside us.

This mission cannot be accomplished alone. We truly are a team—you sending, praying, and supporting, and us serving on the field with all our hearts so that many more may know the grace, truth, and love of Jesus Christ.

To Him be all the glory.

With love and gratitude,

Cecy Torres

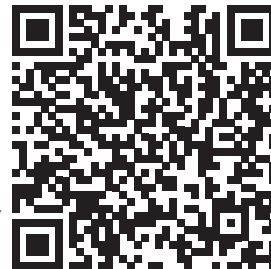
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With the Bunch and Miller families in Michigan



Youth group at Celebration Bible Church



Pastor Kaleb Kemper praying for me at Eastport Bible Church