May 2023 Prayer Letter

Dear Prayer Warriors,

We have some more exciting updates to share.

The outreach in Zaidin went great! Our team had many conversations and lots of people accepted the evangelistic materials we handed out. Many of the conversations were a follow-up from last year's event and it helped people see we cared about them. Please pray for the people in this little neighboring town.

God has been answering prayers and showing that His timing is truly perfect. You know it is very different to have head knowledge vs practical knowledge about this.

As you know, we have been working on a storefront project since October. We had to get paperwork resolved and approval from the city hall before we could move forward. It has taken a long time. I have been patient at times and often very impatient. But we "knew" God's timing was perfect. There were some very frustrating times, even just last week.

But God—one of my favorite transitions in the Bible—swung all doors wide

open. This weekend we got the approvals we needed to get from a church federation here in Spain. They agreed to partner with us on this project and help us with all the paperwork. The day before writing this, I got approval from the city hall saying that we can open a church in the local!

We are in the final stages before we are able to get in, start renovations, and open the doors to the community. Words can't describe how grateful we are to God! Thank you for all your prayers!

We will try to do most of the work ourselves to save money. We plan to hire professionals for a few things such as installing the ceiling and A/C. We have had a number of people offering to help us with the work! Many hands will make the work lighter and progress faster. We would like to open in August and have an open house event in September to introduce the church to the community.



Outreach at Zaidin



Sunday service at our home

I would like to ask you if you would consider donating toward furnishing the new church. We would like to get some Christian books and study materials for children and adults to form a small lending library in the church. We will also need to purchase chairs, a podium, a new entry door, a lobby sofa, a few tables, and an air conditioning unit to get started. We will be adding sound reduction and reforming the bathroom to meet codes. If you would like to see a comprehensive list of materials needed, please email me. Any donation towards this will help greatly.

If you would like to donate toward the needs of the church plant, we have set up a fund that goes directly to this project. Your donation to Tentmakers Bible Mission for this project should be designated **IEBC** (Iglesia Evangélica Bajo Cinca) **Fund** on the memo line and you can let me know what item you want to purchase with it. <u>This can also be done online here.</u>

Prayer Points

- Praise for God's answer to prayers
- Safety during all the renovation project
- Our testimony towards our community
- Opening day event

Thank you so much for considering this, and thank you for all your support thus far. God's timing is really perfect and we are so thankful that He has reminded us of this truth in such a powerful way.

All for Jesus!

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