The Heerahs August 2023 Update Trinidad Project

Tentmakers Bible Mission





Dear Prayer and Ministry Partners, We hope this news update finds you in good health and fruitfulness for the Lord's Kingdom.

Hold fast to the Faith

Jesus is coming soon and may we all be found faithful to the ministry to which He has called us. Friends, keep on keeping on and press forward for the sake of the Gospel. The enemy of our souls is pressing in on the Church but the gates of hell never has and never will win. We are on the winning side so defend the faith, proclaim the faith, hold fast to the faith and contend for the faith - don't give up!

Trip to the US

We are presently in the US. We spent a week in New York visiting Ronnie's mom and some other friends. It was so special seeing mom after 4 years. The kids loved this very much.





We then headed to Scottsbluff, NE to be with Justin and Hayley. Hayley moved to Nebraska in July. We're here to help them set up their new apartment where they will live and help with wedding plans.



WEDDING BELLS AND NEW BEGINNINGS



Justin and Hayley are getting married on Sunday 27 August. We are very thankful for both of them and how the Lord is working in their lives.

They have faced some tough challenges in the last year, but God has been faithful. They have settled in Scottsbluff NE very close to where Hayley landed a job at a hospital as a Pharmacist and Justin continues to serve at Mitchell Berean Church in the worship ministry. Please keep this young couple in your prayers.

Joseph our second son started at Frontier School of the Bible. He completed his Private Pilot License training in July and is now pursuing his calling to be a missionary pilot. The next step is Bible training, and we are excited to send him to FSB. Classes began on August 21.

Charissa is in her final year of Secondary School and is not sure what she wants to pursue as of yet. We're praying for the Lord's direction for her. Keep her in your prayers as she will definitely be missing her brothers being alone at home.



Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH. . . "

Hope Community Church in Trinidad is doing well. We are experiencing growth not only in numbers but also seeing it in the lives of the believers.



In March we had a joint team from Frontier School of the Bible and Tentmakers Bible Mission visit us. This was a very encouraging experience for the church family. They repainted the entire inside of the building, encouraged the leaders with an Apprecition dinner, hosted a Youth Outreach and ministered to the church body on the two Sundays they were there.

Many believers started coming back to church and the community of Christ followers has gained momentum to press forward with the mission of building Christ's Church with Him.

Around The Tables Again

Our services are now approximately 70% full and we have new families who have found a place to call their home.

We have restarted our Round Table Discussion Groups on Sunday mornings before the worship service, and this has really brought momentum and stability to the church.





MINISTRY MOMENTUM

Our men's, women's and youth ministries have also restarted well and also a young adult group has formed out of our Sunday Table groups. We are excited to see how the Lord will lead in this next ministry season.

One of the elders who has served for the last 4 years is stepping off in September and we are hoping to appoint a new elder by our 13th anniversary service in November. We are also hoping to appoint 2 more deacons also.

We do want to thank you for your faithful prayers and support to the ministry here in Trinidad and we pray the Lord will continue to multiply your impact for the sake of the Gospel until He returns.

Drop us a line when you can. We would love to know how you're doing and how we can be praying for you. Please keep us in your prayers for the remaining of our time here in the US. We head back to Trinidad on Sept 8.

For His glory alone Ronnie, Meela and family.

Praises

- Justin and Hayley are getting married on August 27
- Hayley's success in her board exams and finding a job in Scottsbluff NE.
- Joseph following the Lord's calling to go to Bible school as part of his training.
- The church in Trinidad is doing well again.

Prayer Requests

- Justin and Hayley's marriage to bring glory to God.
- Justin and Hayley's immigration documents to be processed so that Justin can work legally in the US.
- Joseph as he faces this new challenge being away from home for the first time as well as the frigid winter temperatures in WY.
- Joseph as he pursues his Bible training and Missions Aviation Training, building a network of support and mentors.
- Charissa as she completes her final year in secondary school and her discernment of God's will

- for her life in this next season.
- Ronnie and Meela as we adjust to having another child leave home.
- The church's giving to pick up after the pandemic.
- Our personal financial support to increase. We are still short of 30% of the monthly support needed (Approx. \$1500)
- Our health and protection as we continue to serve the Lord here in Trinidad.
- The Lord's protection on our children as they also serve Him wherever He leads.
- Pray for Hope Community Church and the new leaders to be appointed.
- Pray for the believers to become stronger in their faith through the different discipleship environments like our men's, women's, youth, Sunday Table Groups and Small Groups in homes.
- Pray for a new Worship Director.