



The Dulanys Missionaries to Panama

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"And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us. And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them." Acts 16:9-10



"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.." Colossians 3:1-2

The Bible talks here about setting our affection on things above, not on things on the earth. The word affection is singular. Our affection is either on the things of God or on the things of the flesh. Oh that we might all focus our affection on the things of God and not the flesh for time is short and the work of God is urgent.

We finished up our furlough in Oregon and Washington. It has been a blessing to be with each of the churches that support us in Panama and a few that don't. We wish we could have seen everyone, but time is short and we needed to be back on the field. We appreciate each of our supporting churches and your faithfulness not only financially, but also in prayer for us. God is doing a great work in Panama and we are glad that He chose us to be a part of it.

We hit the ground running when we got back to Panama. As soon as we landed there were some things we had to deal with. God blessed and they were resolved to His glory. We got back on the 1st of June and on the seventh we had to be in Cañasas for youth camp. Andres and I both had a group of youth to teach, and I preached one of the evening services there. It was a good camp. The youth always seem to pay great attention to the teaching and to grow from it. I saw some good results in my class, with one young man in particular resolving to study his Bible more and learn from it.

We have baptized four since we have been back and have others that still need to be baptized. Our pastor and brother Lester Hutson and his wife Margaret came for a short visit which was a real blessing to us. He was able to baptize two of our people with brother Andres. Sister Margaret and Mandy had a really nice visit while they were here and was really blessed to have sister Hutson in her home.

We continue to look for property in Las Margaritas to build a new building. The work there has grown and the old building which was basically an addition to the back of Andres' house is no longer adequate. It was built to hold 36 with the intention of getting a new property and building a bigger building when we outgrew it. Our plan was to use it as a place to host pastors and missionaries traveling from the western area of Panama into the Darien region once we built a new building. It is a good midway point for them to rest and then finish traveling. We have new people that are very excited about the mission. Last Sunday we had 40 in Las Margaritas, so we are definitely in need of new facilities. Even with the 40 we had some people still out. God is good. Pray that He will help us find a new property for the work and build a new building for His honor and glory.

The work in Corpus Cristi continues to do well and the people there are very encouraged in the work. We have bought more blocks and the windows for the building and hope to have them installed soon. We will be building the doors ourselves out of metal.

The work in Union de Azuero is doing well. They are now coming to the services in Las Margaritas and we are still having services with them in Union de Azuero. It is good to see their devotion and desire to learn more about God.

The new work in the Platanilla area has expanded. We still only go there every other Thursday, but now we have four different places we are teaching at when we go. It makes for a very long day, especially when it is 3 1/2 hours from my house, but it is a real blessing. We are seeing a great interest in the people there. Pray for us to have the strength for this this day. Andres teaches 2 of the lessons and I teach 2, although we switch off which ones we are teaching.

I have been talking to the people in Clayton about starting this work back up. They want to do it, but we are trying to find a time that will work for all involved. Hopefully soon we will be going here again. With all we have going and with their work schedules we have not been able to get together and pin down a time yet. Liran said he was going to talk to Chico about a good time, but Liran and Liel are busy preparing for a visit from her sister and her family.

There is a place called Genesis where Edicinio and our newest member brother Marciago live where there is a group of people wanting to have services. Last Tuesday we began a new work with these people. We had 13 present and had a really good reception. I am teaching them about eternal security first because Edicinio was telling them about this and they were amazed because they had been taught they could lose their salvation. They received the teaching very well and seemed pleased with what they heard. We will be there again this Tuesday as I present the second part of the study to them. Please be in prayer for this new work. Your missionaries to Panama, Tim and Mandy Dulany