

# His Leading



**Welcome!** Welcome to the second edition of our 2022 New Life Outreach newsletter. It is our goal to produce this newsletter quarterly, aiming to keep our friends, family and supporters up-to-date as far as what God is doing through New Life Outreach. We are planning on e-mail and on-line distribution for each edition. As we continue producing this newsletter, we may play with the format and change some things up, so if you have any comments or suggestions, please let us know. In the meantime, if you or someone you know would like to be added to our e-mail list, please send us a note at [info@newlifeoutreach.us](mailto:info@newlifeoutreach.us) or visit us at [www.newlifeoutreach.us](http://www.newlifeoutreach.us).

## The Greatest Days of Our Lives Lie Ahead of Us

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If parts of this article seem similar to former newsletter articles, I want you to know that it is the Lord Who is repeating Himself. "Parallelism" is a writing technique of repeating important phrases and verses for emphasis. It was used in several places in the Bible and is an example of how the Lord uses repetition to get our attention. Similarly, it is often said that God gives information on a need-to-know basis, so when He continues to repeat Himself, it is because we may have acknowledged the information in our heads but still do not have the 'download' in our spirit.

Recently, the Lord again impressed upon my heart that we are entering a 'new era,' the old has gone and the 'new' has come. Definitions from Oxford Languages defines an "era" as "a long and distinct period of history with a particular feature or characteristic,"<sup>1</sup> In the days and years ahead of us, we can expect the Lord to "show off" His power and might as a means of drawing the nations to His Son; "For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, As the waters cover the sea" (Habakkuk 2:14).

As a result of this "eternal weight of glory" (II Corinthians 4:17), we can expect the "period of history" that lies before us to be filled with noteworthy events; such as signs and wonders coming sovereignly from the Lord, as well as those resulting from specific prayers and the declarations of His people. We can expect people to be healed and receive deliverance and personal freedom in large numbers. In Luke 4:18-19, we read Jesus' response to John the Baptist, who was imprisoned at the time. John had sent one of his disciples to ask Jesus if He was really the Messiah. Jesus' reply to his cousin John was all that John needed to hear in order to know that Jesus truly was the Promised One.

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*Greatest Days, continued...*

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.” (Luke 4:18-19, NKJV)*

The manifestations of the Holy Spirit that are listed in these two verses should be evident in Jesus’ Body, which is made up of all true believers in Christ. We should expect to see and experience more of these ministry opportunities in the days and years ahead, as well as greater and more powerful answers to our prayers and ministry to others.

Last, but certainly not least, this season or ‘era’ will be overflowing with the abundance of ‘rain’ (the rain of the Holy Spirit), for it will be a season of harvest and the harvest will be plentiful; “Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest” (John 4:35 KJV). The Lord is saying, “My people must get their eyes off the cares and concerns of the world, in order to see what I am doing in the midst of the turmoil. Nothing takes Me by surprise and all is according to My plan. There are great days ahead for the United States and the world!”

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## God Has a Plan and You Are a Part of It

*“For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His” (II Chronicles 16:9a).*

God has a special purpose for every one of His children. He certainly has a higher calling for each one of us than just existing until death, or until Christ’s return! A.B. Simpson, founder of The Christian and Missionary Alliance, penned it this way, “All the experiences of life come to us as tests, and as we meet them our loving Father is watching with intense and jealous love to see us overcome. If we fail He is deeply disappointed, and our adversary is filled with joy. We are being watched continually by angels and principalities, and every step we take is critical and decisive for something in our eternal future.”<sup>2</sup>

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Our Heavenly Father doesn’t just desire for us to overcome. He needs us to overcome. Jesus, our head, is in the heavenlies, but He has need of a Body on earth who feels His heart and is led by His eyes. “He is representing us in heaven, and our business is to represent Him on earth.”<sup>3</sup>

The secret to overcoming is our perspective, and our perspective depends on where our eyes are focused and what voices we are listening to. What your eyes behold and what your ears hear will fill your soul (your mind, will and emotions), and what you are full of will come forth in your life.

## What Choice Will You Make?

The Lord really is looking throughout the earth—in every nation—trying to find those whose heart is really His; and He will, absolutely “strongly support” each one that He finds. In fact, I can tell you from many years of experience that when you give your heart totally and unreservedly to the Lord—no matter what God allows in your life—you can rest in the assurance that your Heavenly Father is ‘always’ working on your behalf! In this world we will have tribulation, but Jesus is the One Who has overcome the world (John 16:33).

<sup>1</sup> Definitions from Oxford Languages, online dictionary

<sup>2</sup> A.B. Simpson, *Days of Heaven on Earth*, December 30

<sup>3</sup> A.B. Simpson, *Days of Heaven on Earth*, December 31





## Our First Post Covid-19 Neighborhood Crusade!

Near the end of March, the Cristo es el Camino Church finally received authorization to hold a two-day event in the Colonia (neighborhood) of Las Palmas! For those of you who follow our newsletters and blogs, you might remember the name of this neighborhood from several years ago. Pastor Carlos Maciel and his magnificent team of workers started a Bible study in the home of one of their attendees who lived in Las Palmas. From that Bible study, the church branched out to having services in a ‘relatively’ empty lot not too far from the home where the Bible study was. Our ministry paid the rent up front for several months for this church start. However, when the owner found out that Pastor Carlos had ‘Gringo’ money behind him, the rent was tripled.

At the same time, the satanic influence in the area was at work, resulting in the enemy gaining a foothold in one of the family members of one of the first families committed to the church plant. As we prayer walked the area, we were told by other Christians about the heavy presence of practicing witches in the area; and one day Pastor Carlos and I had a significant encounter. One of the area witches, who we had identified and seen several times as we prayer walked, confronted the two of us. She glared with her dark eyes at Pastor Carlos and me and snarled, “Many (in reference to Christians trying to make an influence) come, but they all go.” Shortly after that is when the foundation of the work started to crumble.

A handful of times, throughout the passing years, I have brought up the words of that witch to Pastor Carlos. He remembered that day as well, and was also grieved by her scorn, but at the end of March, Pastor Carlos planned his first Post-Covid-19 crusade in Las Palmas. Since governmental Covid-19 restrictions had just been lifted, only a handful of flyers (relative to their usual canvassing) was handed out for this two day event. It started on Saturday evening, continuing with a free breakfast for the neighborhood on Sunday morning, and then Sunday evening was the closing service for this outreach.

This event was a glorious reunion for this congregation! The Cristo es el Camino Church family

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had been maintaining contact via WhatsApp for almost two years. During that time, they started with 'family altars,' then meeting with just a few families in homes or their small missions; until finally being able to have a limited number of people—which necessitated several services—in their churches and missions. This crusade was definitely a 'coming out party!'

Enjoy the pictures and please don't forget to pray for Cristo es el Camino Churches' many activities.





Crusade, continued...



*“The ‘big thing’ you are waiting for can never take away from the many little joys of every single day. What your eyes are set on will always affect your quality of life.”*  
—Journaling with the Father, February 14, 2020





## Festiniños, La Gran Aventura Our Samaritan's Purse Annual Celebration!

For those of you who faithfully follow our blogs and quarterly newsletters, you are now very familiar with Cristo es el Camino's annual celebration of "Festiniños, La Gran Aventura." We have been honored to sponsor the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child 'shoe boxes' since 2014. If you are not familiar with this fabulous ministry outreach, please check out the previous blogs on our website where we have shared extensive information about Operation Christmas Child; including last year's June 1 blog.

This year, I am going to report on this valuable annual program a little differently—with a picture presentation. Due to the final Covid-19 restrictions, this year's celebrations were held at four different Cristo es el Camino churches/missions. For those of you who follow our ministry in Los Cabos, you will certainly recognize these locations.

### Tierra y Libertad Church

This church is in the colonia of Tierra y Libertad and for some time has been used as the "Mother Church" for Pastor Carlos Maciel's flock. We originally purchased the "right to squat" on the two lots this church has been progressively built on.

### Lomas del Sol Church

This smaller church is where we started in 2011. This was our first building project for Cristo es el Camino Church.

### Valle del Cabo Church

This is the second major building project for the Cristo es el Camino church family. From its humble beginnings, this church has also been a work-in-progress.

### Caribe Mission

This location is a small building next to the leader's home, and has been used more like what we would think of in the United States as a home group. This location is currently under reconstruction.

I hope you enjoyed this year's reporting of the graduation party known as Festiniños, La Gran Aventura. As always, we covet your continual prayers over what God is doing in Los Cabos, Mexico. We have only been able to minister here these last eleven years because of each one of you. May the Lord bless you and keep you!

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## Christmas Family 2021 (in 2022)

Many of you are probably now familiar with this annual tradition, which started several years ago when the families of two of our daughters chose to have us use the money that we would spend on their families for Christmas to donate towards a ‘special Christmas’ treat for a specific family in Cabo San Lucas. Due to an extended family emergency (don’t worry, all is well), we were unable to schedule this year’s family before Christmas. We were able to bless this year’s family and enjoy a day together, though, after the first of the year.

Pastor Carlos helped us choose the family for 2021. We have known Magdalena and her family for several years. She is one of the praise dancers for Cristo es el Camino Church’s special services and she and her children play a very active role in many activities. Eight months before we took the family out for shopping and dinner, Magdalena was abandoned by her husband and is now living in a make-shift room off of her brother’s house. Her only income is selling used clothing in front of where they currently live. When we asked her what she and the children needed most, she quietly said “food” (and that wasn’t false humility).

The family had a fabulous time shopping, and they were very careful about what they spent their money on. They happily bought items that were more on the side of ‘necessities.’ We brought Richard’s former ‘mentee’ Braynan with us as an interpreter (for the hard questions), and enjoyed a great dinner at Campestre, one of our favorite restaurants.

Since we know that all of you are generous givers—before you send me emails and texts—we do want you to know that we did give Magdalena cash for food, on top of the usual Christmas celebration amount.

Please pray for this special family: Magdalena, 11-year-old Arturo and 9-year-old Itzayana.





## A Fond Farewell to Manuel and Norma

For any of you who have visited us in Los Cabos, or for those of you who follow our blogs, these pictures of



Manuel and Norma should bring back fond memories of this dear couple.

Manuel and Norma moved from mainland Mexico seven years ago so that Manuel could find work in the hotel industry. Due to Los Cabos' ever-expanding hotel industry, along with the blessing of the Lord upon our security, nationals are continually arriving in hope of finding work in our tourist industry. Manuel and



Norma's story has a unique twist, though. Manuel came to find work in order to send as much money as possible back to their city to build a church building for their church family there. In fact, the two of them lived well below their means in order to save as much money as possible to send home.

We have worked beside them during their seven years in Los Cabos. They have worked tirelessly and unselfishly. They are a joy to be around—even in trying circumstances. Their Christ-like character radiates from their sweet smiles.

We were saddened to hear they were ready to return back to the mainland to help finish the work on the church building that they have faithfully funded, but we also knew they were ready and anxious to return to their hometown. We celebrated

their departure with a farewell dinner. We also sent them with a cash gift for expenses along the way.

There is one special prayer request we have for this couple: They have been trying to start a family for as long as we have known them. Please pray for the desire of their heart to come to pass!

## Our Passion - Jesus Christ!

## Our Mission - Bringing the Body of Christ together for the transformation of Los Cabos, MX!



New Life Outreach is a Christian, non-profit organization based out of Holton, MI (USA), with current operations in Los Cabos, MX. Co-directors Richard and Rhonda Mead are ordained ministers with Bethany Bible Training Center (formerly Pinecrest Bible Training Center of Salisbury Center, N.Y.). You may know Rhonda from the TCT Network, where she has appeared on "Ask the Pastor" for more than 19 years. Along with being seasoned ministers and Bible teachers, Richard and Rhonda have great confidence in the power of God for healing, deliverance and total transformation in the lives of believers.

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