

# PATHWAYS



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AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD.

JOSHUA 24:15

*Happy New Year!*

*We have a message of Joy for the World! The Lord has come!*

Isn't it wonderful to know that Christ came for all mankind, including each one of us? Amazing! He left the perfection and glory of heaven with the ultimate purpose of carrying our sin in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. He gave His life to give us life! Because He conquered death, we can have hope unshakable even in troubling times.

How do we respond to the extravagant love of God that compelled Him to give His only Son that whoever would believe in Him might not perish but have eternal life?

Do we believe? Do we love Him? Will we trust Him in this new year? Will we choose today to say with great conviction and resolve, **"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."**?

Let's do it! As the hymn writer proclaimed, "Love so amazing, so divine, demands my heart, my soul, my all!"

*It is a joy to serve the Lord at WGM's Taylor Community Center (TCC)!*



This local outreach now has its McAllen base at Taylor

Community Center! We praise God for their 33 years of ministry, offering encouragement, material resources, and wise counsel to expectant mothers.



Since August, the Sparrow's Nest at TCC has served over 95 new customers in addition to dozens of long-term clients. Operating hours and 'showroom' space have increased, and God has provided both new and gently used items in great abundance, so much so that we have shared them with some thirty other ministries on both sides of the border!

During the Thursday evening store hours each week, Kurt and our colleague, Christina McBride, host a Bible club time for the children while their parents shop.

As relationships develop and trust increases, God is giving us precious times of prayer both with adults and children.



This brand-new, DOJ approved site is now up and running at TCC!

Led by our WGM colleague, Colby Grindean, practical assistance and honest answers are given for the next steps people need to take in their process of legal immigration.

As these three outreaches share adjacent spaces at TCC, God has allowed us to refer clients from one area to another, ministering to them more fully than we had ever imagined!

Though we can't share the details of their stories, please know that God is at work in the lives of people here. Our prayer is that each one will one day affirm, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."



## *Praise God! Our building renovations are complete and new opportunities abound!*

Would you pray with us as we move forward in the outreaches here? Above all, we want to abide in Christ and let Him do His work in and through us.

Here are a few new things He is placing on our hearts.

- Initiate a bimonthly outreach for the older adults of our neighborhood.
- Facilitate the *Experiencing God* Bible study in Spanish for ladies from the Sparrow's Nest.
- Make the community center more readily available to the general public as a place for exercise, fellowship, education, and discipleship.

Would you pray with us, too, for funds to cover the final 9% (\$38,000) of renovation expenses? To learn more or make a contribution online, visit [www.wgm.org/project/taylortransformation](http://www.wgm.org/project/taylortransformation).

As Oswald Chambers noted,

"The lasting value of our public service for God is measured by the depth of the intimacy of our private times of fellowship and oneness with Him."

*My Utmost for His Highest,*  
January 6

## *30 Years!*

New Year's Day 2023 marked thirty years since we first left the USA to serve with World Gospel Mission. How we thank God for His great faithfulness to us! Our hearts are full of gratitude to you, too, for going on this journey with us. Thank you for your financial gifts that have sustained us along the way. Most of all, thank you for your prayers.

At times, when parents resolve that they and their family will serve the Lord, their children choose not to embrace Christ for themselves. What heartache that brings. On the other hand, there is no greater joy than knowing that our children have chosen to walk in the Truth of the Lord.

We are profoundly grateful for your prayers for our family over the years. In God's great mercy our children and their families are joyfully walking with Him. The enclosed picture is from our recent Christmas gathering in Kentucky. We'll take a moment to re-introduce each one to you.

- David, Julie, Judah (6), Amalie (5), and Piper (2) live in Alcoa, Tennessee. David serves as the facilities manager of their church while Julie homeschools their children.
- Tim, Amanda, and Mayzie (1) are looking for a home to buy near the Cincinnati airport where he now works with TSA. Amanda enjoys working part-time at a veterinary office.
- Jenny, Bernardo, and Angie (2) live in Columbus, Ohio. Bernardo has a painting business and Jenny will be starting a new job at Orphan World Relief soon. Both are taking seminary courses online.
- Lucas is far from family as he works with Boeing in Washington state but has found great fellowship with both English and Spanish speaking believers in local churches. We were blessed to visit him in October.
- Josh works at a farmer's market and a greenhouse farm in central Ohio. Meanwhile, he is renting a room from our WGM colleague, Mike Banks, who ministers to missionary kids around the world.

*Again, thank you for your prayers and support.*

*We thank God for His faithfulness and the joy of serving Him together with you!*

*Our special friends of St. Mark's Bethany, ~~Happy~~ New Year! May God guide you and move you forward in His new year!*

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