

Dear Prayer Partners and Financial Supporters,

December 2021

"And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness." Isaiah 29:18

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued prayer support. I would also like to thank those of you, individuals and churches alike, who are financially partnering with me.

DEAF MINISTRIES NEWS

I continue to serve at my sending church through its Outreach Ministry to our community. Through this ministry, I have been able to establish a better relationship with a deaf lady who attends every event faithfully. Please pray for Jordine and her five children. I always look forward to the privilege of interacting with them and being able to sign the services. **Please continue praying for this ministry and for the Deaf to commit their lives to Christ.**

In November, I began interpreting the morning services in my home church. As I mentioned in my last letter, my pastor wants to invite Deaf and Hard of Hearing who are family members or friends of our current members. Though I will be occupied on Sunday mornings, I will continue to be available to travel on deputation on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. *Please pray for me and for the message to be clearly interpreted to the Deaf.* A dear missionary friend encouraged me with these words: "Sign the way the Deaf can understand." That is indeed my heart and goal in serving in this way.

Beginning in January 2022, we plan to have a Sunday school class designated for teaching Sign Language and Deaf Culture to those who want to learn. Please pray that someone will surrender his or her life to minister to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing as a church interpreter through these classes.

On a personal note, for the first time I was able to attend an event in Kissimmee, FL, sponsored by DeafNation. In the past, Bro. Curt Young participated with Silent Word Ministries (SWM) in Las Vegas, NV. It was an awesome experience for him. It was likewise an incredible experience for me, as I was able to meet and sign with new people as well as fellowship with old acquaintances.

Please take a moment to look at www.ipmworld.org/deaf-ministries.html for "Gospel Hands" online. Thank you!









CHURCH MOBILIZATION MINISTRY NEWS

From August 21st through October 31st, I traveled to DE, GA, MD, NY, and PA, representing two IPM national missionaries who were not able to visit the US this year as well as reporting to supporting churches. I thank each pastor who allowed me to encourage believers in their churches to be involved through prayer and giving in proclaiming the Good News around the world. The hospitality shown and the welcome I was given were overwhelming. I was encouraged to find churches that are still missions-minded. In my travels, several expressed interest in learning Sign Language. When presenting the ministry of the nationals who were not able to be physically present, social media was an exceptional tool in connecting with them in real time. I was able to connect with Bairo Corrales from Colombia while presenting in Middletown, DE, and with Katasi Inka from India while presenting in Kinderhook, NY. It was a great experience having missionaries virtually present to address a church congregation live. In one church, teenagers asked questions about the Deaf and Sign Language. Some pastors expressed their desire to have IPM missionaries visit their churches in the future. On my way back to Florida, I stopped at SWM's headquarters where I volunteered as a Spanish translator and acquired materials to use at my home church. What a blessing to know that the SWM leadership has the desire to pray for and assist with IPM's ministry. *Please pray for believers to answer the Lord's call to reach the lost, the needy, and the lonely in His name.*



I would like to continue to bring the IPM Volunteer Interactive Partners Program to your attention. Dr. Brent Smith (Vice-President of Church Mobilization) wrote the following message: "TEAM VIP - IPM's VIP program is a volunteer program for believers in the States to utilize their God-given gifts. There are believers in local fundamental churches across the United States that deeply love missions. However, many cannot go to the foreign field, nor are they called to quit their jobs and pull up roots. This is where the TEAM (The Exciting Application of Ministry) VIP program can help. It provides opportunities for believers to be foreign missionaries right out of their own homes and/or churches.

The program will work with any church missions' program. Would you pray and consider one of the opportunities, even on a one-time basis, and see how the Lord would have you minister?" You can contact Dr. Smith directly at smith@ipmworld.org about anyone you may know who would be interested in the program.

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The babe in the manger came not because we loved Him, but because He first loved us.

May that very love bind our hearts to Him this season and throughout 2022.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Serving a risen Savior,

Marta L. Galdamez Romans 1:16

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