

30 SECOND UPDATE (see articles for more details)

- Partnering with New Providence Bible School, we began a mentoring program for ministry candidates to give them experience in evangelism, discipleship and church planting.
- Church planting efforts continue to move forward as connections are made in the community.
- Nikki is teaching a series to help launch the Women's Ministry of the church plant we partner with in Medellín.
- Check out our video from the MTW Virtual Missions Conference: http://bit.lv/VMC2021

MENTORING

This month we began to put into action our partnership with Escuela Bíblica Nueva Providencia (New Providence Bible School). NP provides a residential two-year intensive program for students pursuing full-time ministry and is committed to Reformed and Covenantal teaching. In a desire to provide holistic discipleship for these students, our team has partnered with NP through mentoring relationships. Therefore, we are mentoring and discipling four students this year. We will give them experience as they work alongside of us in the church planting and university ministries of our team.

Last week we had a lunch to get to know each other, listen to one another's testimonies, and share our goals for the mentorship. You'll be hearing more about them in the coming months, but please pray



A meal to kick off the mentorship program



In February, Nate taught an Intro to the Old Testament and a lesson on the sacrament of baptism.

ABOUT US

Nate & Nikki Bonham have been serving in South America with Mission to the World since 2012 in the area of church planting. With their three children, they are based out of Medellin, Colombia.

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for Jorge, Hector, Santiago and Brayan. These four men are from different parts of Colombia and in the process of discerning a call to full-time ministry.

CHURCH PLANTING

On the church-planting front, please pray for us as we continue to make contacts and share the vision of our desire to plant a church. With a few families who have already expressed a desire to be a part of a core group, we hope to have some exciting news for you next month, so stay tuned!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Last week, Nikki taught the first Women's Ministry Bible Study of Iglesia Presbiteriana Gracia y Verdad (Grace & Truth Presbyterian Church), a church that we are serving in downtown Medellin while we church plant in Rionegro. They are launching their women's ministry program for the first time, and over the next several months, Nikki will be teaching about women's ministry in the broader context of the Kingdom of God and Covenant Life. Please pray for the ladies as many of these ideas may be new. Also pray for Nikki as she leads these studies and also continues ministry with many ladies in Arequipa through virtual means.

VIRTUAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE

This month, Mission to the World hosted its first Virtual Missions Conference. Typically, MTW hosts this conference every few years, and it is a great time to catch up with other missionaries, meet people interested in becoming missionaries, and connect with those who want to support missions. Unfortunately, because of Covid, the conference was virtual instead of in-person. Our team was able to host a "virtual booth" where attendees could drop in and speak with us. Nate was also able to represent South America and share how the Lord continues to work in our region. The theme of the conference was "His Story Continues," which was a fitting topic. We created a brief video about the ministry of Team Medellin. You can view it on Youtube here: <u>http://bit.ly/VMC2021</u>

MTW SOUTH AMERICA

Would you pray for our other missionaries throughout South America? Though I don't talk much about my responsibilities as the South America Regional Director, please pray for these laborers that the Lord has raised up and who serve faithfully on the field. There are always challenges and trials that you might not ever read about in a newsletter or hear in a phone call that are peculiar to missionary life. I am always amazed by the Lord's faithfulness in the midst of so many changes and hurdles.



Our team visited an eco-park with an amazing hiking trail, zipline and a beautiful 230 foot waterfall.



