



The Dove Family

Reaching the Latin World for Christ in
Costa Rica

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Dear Pastor and Co-laborer in Christ,

Our hearts have been overjoyed to see all that God is doing in Victory Baptist Church in Atenas, Costa Rica. We had a wonderful Christmas service. Also, we had a special New Year's Eve service where Yeimy and her son Jeremy were baptized. What a wonderful way to start 2017!!! God has been good!!! We have seen much growth in this family. Please continue to pray for them to be faithful in their walk with the Lord.

The second week of January, we had a group of 18 come and help us in the church. We were able to put the tile down in the church, run audio cables, paint the roof of the church, and many other construction jobs to help get the church ready for inspection.

We also had our first Vacation Bible School. We have it in January here because this is summer time and the kids are on break. We praise the Lord that two children were saved. One little girl named Maria came to us with the biggest smile and told us she had received Christ. On Friday, the group visiting was able to perform a drama. We were encouraged by their hard work and love for the Lord. They were a big help with Vacation Bible School and a blessing to our church.

We also enjoyed having Rachel home during this time. She stepped right back in and was a big help to us in our ministry. Please continue to pray for her as she is in Bible college in the state of Georgia.

We said our good byes to the group and seven days later two BIMI claim members came and helped us with other projects: a sound table, a spacious closet for our audio equipment, and a cross for the roof of the church.

Gerardo has been coming faithful to church and asked to speak with me about salvation and baptism. We praise the Lord Gerardo got saved and a new name is written down in glory!!! He and our son, Caleb, were both recently baptized and we praise the Lord for their desire to follow the Lord.

This week we are right in the middle of construction of a handicap bathroom and a ramp. God is changing lives here in Atenas and we are so thankful for your support and prayers on our behalf. Will you continue to pray for funds to finish some construction projects? We still need \$2,500 to finish several more projects including a small nursery. May the Lord bless you greatly!

Your missionaries in Costa Rica,
Rick Dove, Jr. and Family

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