Jody Kennedy International

Strength in Numbers?
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I learned another important lesson at our ministry in Nicaragua at the beginning of this month. God + nothing = everything. I will elaborate in an article below. First...

Haiti is on all our minds and hearts, as it should be, during this time of incredible tragedy, suffering and death. Remember to pray for the Haitians, especially the bornagain Christians who are suffering along with their countrymen. They especially need our prayers because they are also showing the love of Christ as they give help to those around them.

Pray also for the safety of our troops and other relief and aid workers who are there doing what they can in the most difficult circumstances imaginable.

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Strength in Numbers?

With a team of only 5, going into one of our largest venues in Nicaragua, I was stressed to say the least. I imagined turning away hundreds of disappointed Nicaraguans (something we have never done) with another "yanqui" promise broken.

In the past we have had teams of 15+ at this venue with many hundreds of children, teens and adults as English students. We had prayed, of course, but my flesh still told me I had failed in recruiting. I needn't have worried. God knew exactly what He was doing.

Unknown to us, the host pastor had some problems with his advertising campaign. Again, something that had never happened before. As a result of this we had exactly the number of students that the five of us could handle. Not one child, teen or adult more than we could accommodate showed up.

Then the brick finally hit me -

God + nothing = everything.

ANNOUNCING

- -The PROJECT SCHEDULE has been updated for 2010. Click here.
- -The new website focused on our English teaching ministry is up. Check out PSENGLISHMISSIONS.ORG.

PRAY GO GIVE In other words, He wasn't looking for strength to the number of people on the team. He was looking for us to trust Him with the process as well as the result. We immediately took on the attitude of the Old Testament judge, Shamgar (look him up). Do what you can, with what you have, where you are, when you need to do it. (Thank you Bill Glass for these words of wisdom.)

Nicaragua Continues to Be Open to the Gospel

Our small team (Jill, Trisha, Dan, Dwayne and Jody) had the thrill of working together with our wonderful Nicaraguan partners during our busy 9 days at Libertad Baptist Church. While the event was unusually small, we still saw 32 indicate a "yes" to Christ.

Benjamin dutifully translated all day, every day. Samuel kept us wonderfully and plentifully fed. Juan tickled the ivories through the day during each assembly session. Many others worked in the background to minister to those who came to learn English. These dear ones are typical of our Baptist partners in Nicaragua. They blessed us in every way, and as always, they are ready to do the follow-up with every one of our students.

After we finished at Libertad Baptist Church, Trisha and I taught a one week Practically Speaking English Course at the Polytechnic University of Nicaragua (U.P.O.L.I.). Since the class was in the evening, we spent the days meeting more pastors and visiting other partners, including an introduction to the community at "La Chureca" (slang for "the dump". Watch our <u>project schedule</u> for new opportunities, including some medical teams.

Practically Speaking English Orientation and Training

Saturday - December 19, 2009 9:00 am to 3:00 pm lunch provided

Hulen Street Baptist Church 7100 S. Hulen St Fort Worth, TX 76133

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PRAY for these:

- The many new ministry opportunities that we have in Nicaragua
- Our financial needs
- Laborers to join us as volunteers for 1 or 2 weeks

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Give today toward the task of carrying the gospel to the lost world.

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Jody Kennedy International* is the ministry of Jody and Trisha Kennedy who have given themselves to serving Christ through full-time Christian service. In partnership with churches in the U.S., Eastern Europe, Russia and Latin America, the ministry motivates and mobilizes Christians to get out of their comfort zones to take the Gospel of Christ across the street and around the world.

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