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Planting Hispanic Churches in the USA



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"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." 1 Cor. 2:9

No matter how hard we try, we just can't imagine what Heaven will be like. The older I get, the more I realize that there are many things we just can't imagine and there are other times we say, "I can imagine."

Recently, Marlon came to church with one of our families. He is quiet, reserved and somewhat shy. Sunday morning and evening for three weeks in a row he was faithful to be there and seemed very interested and in agreement with what was being preached. On that third Sunday evening as we began our Bible study on the reality of Hell, the question was asked, "If you died today, are you 100% sure that you would go to Heaven?" To our surprise he answered out loud and with all honesty, "No, I'm not sure. I've never been in church before these past few weeks and I don't know how to be sure I would go to Heaven." I could tell as I preached each time he had come that the Lord was dealing with his heart but now he was ready. God had brought a conviction of sin in his heart and he honestly wanted to be saved. The thing that caused me to think "I can't even imagine" was the thought that he had never been in church before; never heard the gospel before and I wondered how many more there are just like Marlon. He is originally from El Salvador and was brought to the U.S. at the age of 12. He is now 44 years old and this was the first time he had ever heard the Gospel preached.

I had the privilege of taking Marlon aside and leading him to receive Christ as his Savior. When we came back to the auditorium, I asked Marlon if he would like to share with the church what had just happened to him and he turned and said, "I just received Jesus Christ as my Savior and I feel like a burden of sin has been lifted off my chest." Please pray for him as he begins his new walk in Christ.

We appreciate each of you for your faithful prayers and support. We are so thankful to be your fellow servants in Christ.



Excited in His service,

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"... The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."
Matthew 9:37,38