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God's Calling

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Dear family and supporters.

This year it was interesting to be a part of four different Vacation Bible Schools. Two were in the states with our home church and the new inner-city church plant. Less than 10 miles apart but culturally quite different. We worked with a counseling team and had the privilege to see several children come to know the Lord. Tim was in two more VBS's: One leading a team from our church to Ireland to work with a missionary they support and another other leading his brother's team to Ecuador for a combination trip of work projects and VBS. These were also worlds apart both physically and culturally. Ireland was a city work in a country known for its centuries-old churches. While Ecuador was in a mountain village with Indigenous people with centuries-old traditions and cultural ways.

In the new work here in Huntington that began in April a few more laborers have now joined our team, and we are seeing some new converts and baptisms. Every new church plant has its challenges, and this one is no exception. It may be from those that have never attended a church before and might be a bit unruly or those that need healing who have been burned with a bad church experience. And others that would not be welcomed in many churches across our country. Some in the community are excited to have us there but others would be glad to see us leave.

Sadly, whether here in the states or overseas many do not have a clear understanding of God, His love, or things in the Bible. So, the work of spreading the gospel is far from over.

We have had a lot of travel the last several weeks as Diane's mom passed away in October and one of her brothers died a few days before her mother's memorial service. One was expected but the other was a surprise. It only makes us more aware of the importance of being prepared to meet our maker because we don't know when that could be.

Thanks

Tim & Diane

