

SAN SALVADOR



EL SALVADOR - PRE FESTIVAL TRIP REPORT

JANUARY 2026

OUR PRE-FESTIVAL TRIP WAS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS!

- This is the most church engagement we've seen in all our years of ministry! Our incredible Spanish team (pictured) have met face-to-face with over **800 churches** who are eager to participate and volunteer to see this Festival come to fruition!
- We have over **100 volunteers** signed up to serve with us March 10-16!
- We were able to check on the preparation and progress of our **water project**. Currently, families have to go down a large hill to bathe, do laundry, and fill buckets of unclean water (that they trek back up to their homes) and then must boil before it is suitable to drink. MSI- because of the generosity of partners like you- will have the honor of blessing these communities with a **system** that will **clean, store, and distribute** water directly to these families! Even better, the local government has now approved this area as a 'legitimate community', and will be distributing deeds to the property owners, building a school for the children, and providing access to electricity and solutions for a sewage system! Talk about life-changing!
- Our team has been visiting the **24 prisons** in and around San Salvador, sharing hygiene kits with inmates and presenting The Gospel message about the hope and love of Jesus, and the power of His forgiveness and grace! Mike will personally speak at the largest prison in the week leading up to the Festival.
- **Stories of impact** are already pouring in...
- → A man **donated** his office space in El Salvador to our team because of his heart for the Lord and **his longing to see a revival** in his hometown!
- → A **pastor** shared his **testimony**: At one point he was extremely discouraged that his church was so small. He was on the brink of burnout and wanted to quit. He ended up attending a previous MSI event over ten years ago, resulting in many new believers joining his church after accepting Jesus. Fast forward to today, and he now has a **vibrant congregation!** He is joyfully looking forward to volunteering and blessing as many people as possible before, during, and after the Festival!

Friend, we are so expectant for what the Lord has in store. As you can see, the opportunities for **impact** are plentiful! At this moment, we are still looking for financial **champions** to make this outreach possible. Whether \$500, \$1,500, \$5,000- or anywhere above, below or between- please know this isn't just a donation... this is generosity that will **echo for eternity**.

Blessings,

Mike Silva



'I would rather WIN SOULS than be the greatest king or emperor on earth. I would rather WIN SOULS than be the greatest general that ever commanded an army. I would rather WIN SOULS than be the greatest poet, or novelist, or literary man who ever walked the earth. My one ambition in life is to win as many as possible. Oh, it is the only thing worth doing, to GAVE SOULS; and, men and women, we can ALL do it!'

-R.A. TORREY



'FESTIVAL FOR LIFE'

Serve week: March 10-16, 2026

Festival day: March 14, 2026

Please be praying with us!

More to come!

In MEMORY OF TOM ROTH

“A SERVANT AND LOVER OF
JESUS & PEOPLE”



Dearest Friends,

It is with heavy hearts that we share the sudden and unexpected passing of Crystal's beloved brother, Tom Roth, who died while serving on a mission in war-torn Ukraine on January 15, 2026. He became gravely ill with pneumonia in both lungs and influenza. It is a profound loss for his family: his wife, Julie, their two sons, Ryan and Aaron, as well as their spouses and children, Tom's siblings, and all of his extended family and friends. Crystal reflects on Tom's life and how he was *“truly the perfect brother and most extraordinary person... absolutely irreplaceable and who will be missed every day for the rest of our lives, and forever loved.”*

We are grateful both Mike and Tom's son, Aaron, were able to travel together to Ukraine just before Tom's passing.

Tom had an undivided heart to the Lord Jesus- for The Gospel- and for those in need of salvation and compassion, all around the world.

He joined us on several MSI Festival trips over the years. Tom was a retired firefighter from Oregon and he dedicated his life to helping others in many different capacities, (as a foster care CASA advocate, active in his local church, the list goes on and on)!

Most notably, Tom loved serving with Mercy Projects (www.mercyprojects.org) for the past 10+ years at their youth camps.

His legacy will endure for generations to come! Please pray for the Mercy Projects team and community of kids who knew and loved “Grandpa Tom,” as they are indeed grieving this significant loss too; and prayers for their collective safety, health and wellbeing as their country is currently suffering the devastating effects of war.

We rest in the truth of the Lord's words in Revelation 21:7: *“all who are victorious will inherit all these blessings, and I will be their God, and they will be my children.”*

Tom was indeed victorious- of that, we are assured!

- The MSI Team, on behalf of
Mike, Crystal, Delight, Grace, & Kristianna



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