

BOIHAM LINE

November 2021

30 SECOND UPDATE (see articles for more details)

- We had our first Lord's Day worship service in Oct. 31, marking a giant milestone in the church plant.
- This month we launched an English Club as a way to reach local university students.
- Please consider us as you think about year-end giving.

"ARRIVES AT THE HEART"

On Sunday, October 31, we celebrated our first Sunday worship service. This was another milestone marking God's faithfulness towards our small corner of the globe. After much anticipation, it was a joyous time not only for our original Launch Group, but also those that have started attending after we launched public Bible studies. This was also an opportunity to commemorate the Protestant Reformation and remember our commitment to the 5 "solas".

For most, it was the first time to experience a worship service that was structured around an

intentional liturgy. Nate preached from Hebrews 10 and simply wanted to give a clear presentation of the gospel. Later that day, someone texted saying the worship service "arrives at the heart." She meant that the liturgy (the contents and the order of the service) touched her heart. Many of those who are attending have no context for a liturgy-based worship service and expositive, consecutive (verseby-verse) preaching. Week after week we continue hearing about people seeing the beauty of Lord's Day worship and God being glorified.

Not only are we thankful for worship that arrives at the heart, we also recognize the our Lord's Day



First Lord's Day Service



First Children's Sermon

ABOUT US

Nate & Nikki Bonham have been serving in South America with Mission to the World since 2012 in the area of church planting. With their three children, they are based out of Medellin (Rionegro), Colombia.

PARTNER WITH US

Mission to the World PO Box 744165 Atlanta, GA 30374-4165 Memo: Bonham 10788 or online at: give.TheBonhamLine.org

MORE INFO

www.TheBonhamLine.org www.MTW.org +1-601-691-1001 +57-320-590-2017 (Whatsapp)



worship is the heart of what we do and why we are here. As John Piper says, "Missions exists because worship doesn't. Worship is ultimate, not missions, because God is ultimate, not man." Therefore, you could say that the church plant has arrived at its ultimate purpose: to glorify God and enjoy Him. But this doesn't mean the work is over.

Please continue praying for Iglesia El Redentor as we roll into the new year and begin membership classes. We hope to receive our first group of members around Easter time. We will then start the slow process of identifying and training those who the Lord would have serve as elders of the church. We are also praying that the Lord would raise up a Latino (if not Colombian) pastor that could pastor the church. Though we have seen the need to directly church plant, our desire is to see a national pastor who we can work alongside of and see a church planting movement in our region.

ENGLISH CLUB

One of the difficulties we have faced since being in Colombia is trying to launch our university ministry. The local universities are just now reintroducing in-person classes, but even those are part in-person and part virtual. On top of this, visitors aren't allowed on classes.



Cake after our first Sunday service. (R) Lorena McCall

Since we can't have a presence on campus yet, we are trying to bring the campus to us. One way we are doing this is by hosting an English Club in the church. English proficiency is required by most degree programs, but most students do not have access to native English speakers to practice with. To help serve the students and as a way to get to know them, we launched our first 6-week English club. John McCall (our teammate) has headed up this effort. We hope that this will provide a way to know students until we can get on campus. Furthermore, John has registered for classes at a local university in order to be able to be on campus.

Pray the Lord would provide some avenues to meet students and be present on campus. We believe these local universities will be used by the Lord to raise up future leaders of the church.

E.O.Y.

Our church planting and university ministry efforts are sustained by the faithful giving of our ministry partners. End-of-year giving is always a large factor in our ability to continue with our church planting and university ministry efforts. Donations to our MTW account are tax-deductible. Giving information can be found on the first page or online at: www.thebonhamline.org/give

We are so thankful for your partnership!



English Club led by John McCall

