

## Globe Mission



# On the go with the Bedfords

### Pray with us:

- Give thanks to God for His provision every day! He is faithful!
- Pray for Guatemala. It has been very dry and wildfires, also in some land fills, have been burning, causing such bad pollution that the schools have closed!
- Pray for our ministries. We are expecting lots of teams this summer. Pray that God calls some of those who come to be missionaries! Also to come to Guatemala!
- For our women's and children's ministries. That we would teach His Word and see lives and families changed!
- For our time in Germany, especially for Karin's cochlear implant operation!



### Put Your Shoes On! (by Joe)

“Listen, Joe, Liliana has not been in a church and she’s new here. She has no idea what she should say!”

I was talking with Rosario and Liliana as we were preparing to go to the park in Ciudad Vieja. We wanted to share the wonderful news of Jesus with the people there. Last week, we practiced in our women’s Bible study group, how we should share our own stories in a friendly, loving manner. We should share how Jesus died and rose to forgive our sins and give us everlasting life with Him! Now it was time to go to the park!

But Liliana didn’t feel ready.

“No problem,” I said to them, “Liliana can go with Rahel and just watch and hear how she shares with people. And when she’s ready, she can share maybe just a little of what she has experienced. It’s going to be great to see how people are touched by God’s love!”

We went to the park and our new kid’s group, Kings Kids, did a couple of worship dances and shared some of their experiences. Then we broke up into small groups to talk with people. There was a wonderful atmosphere and we had some good conversations. I was happy to see various women of our group sharing their faith.

This month, we are teaching the women from Ephesians 4:15-16 (ESV):

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is



equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

We are helping the women to know God and His Word more closely, and to be confident that each one can grow and do their part. And this week, we taught them to put their shoes on (Ephesians 6:15):

**Wear shoes on your feet which are the Good News of peace.**

Pray for our women’s group, that they grow more and more in Jesus Christ! We are praying for you, that you will be encouraged and built up to do the same.

God bless you all!

Karin and Joe



## Sowing the seeds (by Karin)



so I asked her if we could pray. During the prayer, I had an impression that she was open to give God her worries in prayer, but that afterward, she would pick them all up again in a sack and sling it over her back, bent over by so much weight. I shared my impression with her and she started crying. But she understood that Jesus wanted to take her sack, if she was willing. She nodded. Afterward, she seemed really relieved and we praised God for speaking to us.

It's always amazing to go out and bless people in this ministry! But it is also tiring sometimes, just being out in the sun, going from house to house. And there are days it seems like no one wants to listen. But we keep on going, because God has called us to sow these seeds and He will bring forth the fruit! Praise God, to Him belongs all the glory!

We bought 4 boxes of Bibles this past week in order to continue our Bible Distribution project, giving Bibles to families who don't yet own one. What a story the people will tell one day, and how blessed we are to be a part of seeing people saved!

A few weeks ago, we met Maria. She and her husband have a small store in their house and they invited us in to talk. They told us their son was in a drug rehabilitation center in a city far away. I noticed how sad and worried Maria was,



Thanks for your prayers and faith in what God is doing here in Guatemala!

Karin and Joe



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