Breaking the Silence...
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Breaking the Silence

It has been a very busy few weeks for us, so busy that we have been getting behind in some things, like sending out this update and in putting our our Annual Projects E-mail. That should be coming within the next week

But recently we have found some space to breathe just a little. Even as we have been helping to organize things back in Colombia (more on that in a second), we have also been visiting partners, churches and conferences in Ontario.

Breathing the pure Canadian Fall air has been life giving and soul healing.



But, the biggest event this month, next to our 26th wedding anniversary this coming Weds, was my ordination service at our home church in Kingsville, yesterday October 18th.

While I have held basic ministry papers for decades, over the last couple of years God moved me to upgrade, 1st to Licensed Minister to now being a fully Ordained Minister with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. Yes, Bubba the Streetkid is now a Reverend!

So why, and why now, at my age? I am not totally sure of what God has in mind, but for me it is simply a testimony to His grace, redemption and that in Him, we have no limits.

We have also been coordinating a special fall tour, for two very special "foreign dignitaries."

This month Pastors German and Isabel Camacho from The Father's House are also in Canada, visiting churches in Ontario and Alberta, saying thank you for all that has been invested in their churches by Canadians and getting to know our country.



German had never even been on a plane before, never seen trees changing colour and he is now praying to see snow for the 1st time. I think that in their last week in Alberta, I can almost give him a money back guarantee on that one!

Patty and I feel so privileged and thankful four the 4 churches that are helping to sponsor their trip. It is wonderful for the churches, the Camachos and for us.

And Post Earthquake?

Between our partners in Pereira and Quibdo, working with our church in Bogota and hundreds of volunteers, we have been able to impact thousands of people.

At least 2500 food packages have been distributed, most of those in Quibdo, several thousand meals have been served (we lost count, but 5k plus), truckloads of clothing have been given out and several dozen families have been helped with building materials to repair their homes.



We have also started repair work on the Fortress Children's Foundation in Quibdo and are about to start building outreach team housing for YWAM Pereira.

We also had the blessing of helping coordinate a production team from **100 Huntley Street** to film a special on the Colombian Earthquake. That program can be found here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=deEQ6B3FwzE

We are praying that God will move hearts as people watch this powerful episode.

So What's Next?

Patty and I return to Colombia on Nov 2nd. As funding allows, we will be continuing to help the rebuilding effort and aid in disaster relief.

And Christmas is coming...

I will likely be making a visit to the jungle city of Quibdo in the next few weeks, even as we work to organize a major missions convention and celebration.

YWAM Colombia celebrates its 50th Anniversary this year.

It is being held at our church in Bogota at the end of November and we are honored to be hosting such a significant event in the mission's history.

We are look forward to celebrating 50 years of what God has done, even as we trust in Him for the now; and the future.

Much Love!

Darren & Patty

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