



The Melendez Family on Mission

“...Everything is possible for him who believes.” (Mark 9:23)



Festivities



We held two festive events in August and September. The first was on August 14th, when we celebrated Mother's Day. Then on September 9th we celebrated Children's Day. On Mother's Day the men cooked and served the table for the moms, while the kids gave them gifts and read poems. On Children's Day we hired a clown and had cake and a piñata. These events were an opportunity to demonstrate God's love to them and to rejoice together in the Lord.





New Location and Ministry



Recently we rented a location that is more appropriate for our congregational gatherings. The place has capacity for 60 people, and is close to our previous location. We have also started a Kid's Class, as the number of children in the Church has grown and our new location has an area suitable for Sunday School. We are training sisters for this ministry, some of whom are already giving classes.

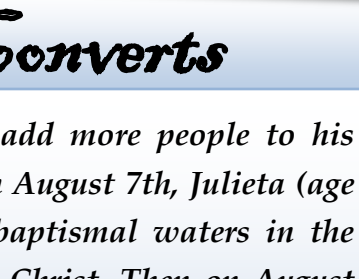
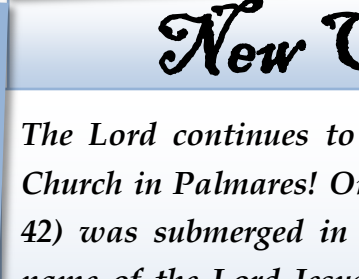


The Team

We inform you that during August the Eguizabal returned to El Salvador definitively. Their decision was not a hurried one. In fact, they had meditated on it for months and, after discussing it with us, we agreed with them. They are now working in their own business and collaborating at the church where Maria grew up.

We are not alone, however. The young man with sunglasses in the picture is working with us now. His name is Wernes Tobar. He is 31 years old, single, and is a preacher.





New Converts

The Lord continues to add more people to his Church in Palmares! On August 7th, Julieta (age 42) was submerged in baptismal waters in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Then on August 28th, Gretel (49), Gabriela (17), and Rachel (14) were baptized into Christ for the honor and glory of God the Father. These four persons arrived at our congregation place of their own initiative in search of the Lord. Please say a prayer for them!



Vacation

On September 21st we left for El Salvador on a 16-day vacation! We had a great time visiting relatives and friends and even hitting some tourist attractions. We hadn't taken a vacation since summer of 2009, and the truth is we really needed it! The Church remained in the hands of my new partner, Wernes, and a Guatemalan visitor friend of ours who is also a preacher.

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