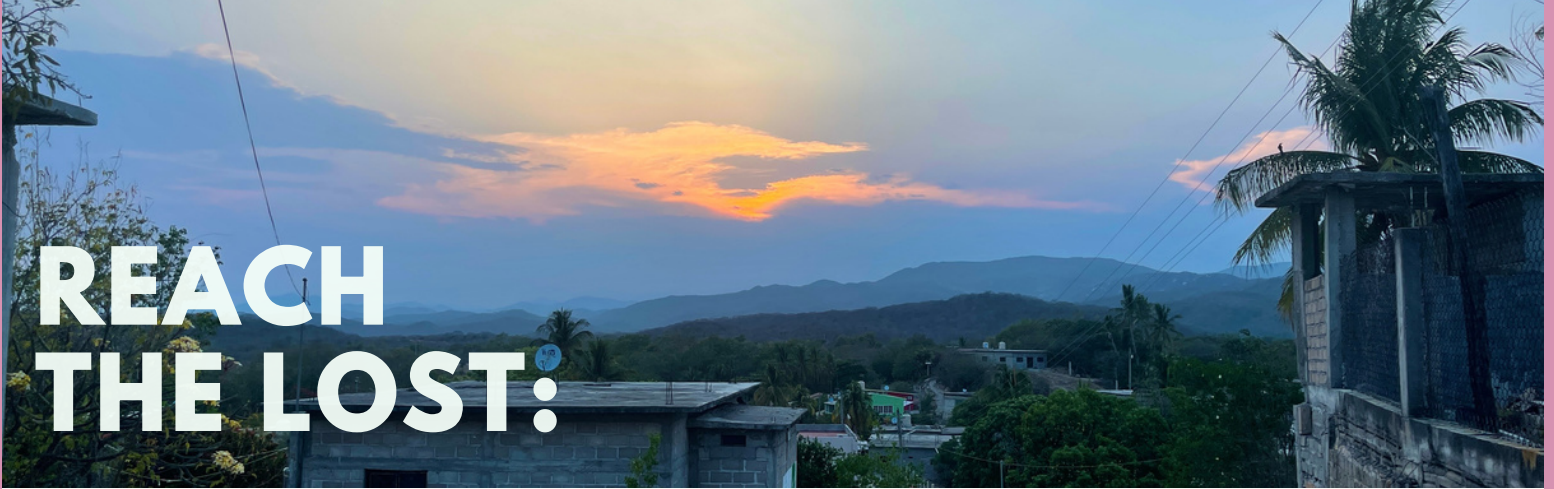




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Transforming communities starting with kids



REACH THE LOST:

One of the 3 pillars of His Ministry's mission is to reach the lost. When the Oaxaca mission was built, we knew that God was not only calling us to provide a home for children – He was also calling us into the areas of the state still unreached with the gospel. Separated from the city, there are many remote communities within the mountains of Oaxaca, thirsty for living water. And so, we listened. We began to form a team to accomplish His vision for the ministry of Oaxaca.

Project 8-1-1 was created, expressing the vision for the outreach ministry in Oaxaca. Oaxaca is separated into 8 regions, each with its own customs, cultures, languages, and dialects. We have asked God to provide at least 1 missionary to be working within each region, all under 1 truth – that true hope can only be found in Jesus.

Currently, we have representation in 4 of the 8 regions. In the central valley, our home is located, along with the prison ministry, operated by Pablo. We have two groups of missionaries serving in the Mixteca region. In the city of Huajuapán, Manuel, Glenda, and Tere, operate a school serving children that cannot afford school or have been kicked out. They are showing God's love to them, their families,

and preparing them to meet standardized testing requirements. Through their efforts in the school, they have been able to plant a church with the parents. In the city of Juxtlahuaca, Maria has served faithfully for many years, ministering to communities in the mountains and spreading the love of God using a radio station.

In the Sierra Norte, Mabel travels on foot between remote mountain communities, facing persecution, and using constant contact as a way of reinforcing God's love for His people. With the attitude of Paul, she faces conflict with local authorities who look to silence the work she represents for the Kingdom. And, in the La Costa region, Carlos works out of Hualtuco, teaching English classes and sharing the Gospel to the least of these.

We ask you to join us in prayer. Pray these communities would receive the missionaries with open hearts and that God would break the chains of lies and bondage in their lives. And, that God would send us His chosen for the purposes of fulfilling the vision – 8 regions, 1 missionary in each, under 1 God.



A HIGHER CALLING:

Carlos Lopez serves as a missionary for His Ministry, focused on reaching the lost and bringing the Gospel to the streets of Huatulco, Oaxaca. Before serving with the ministry, Carlos attended the Bible Institute in the Baja Mission. And, before that, Carlos had his own beautiful story of how God restored him in his brokenness.

While I was born in Mexico, I started living in the United States at an early age. I had tried drugs by the time I was 13 and would begin to escalate in my 20s. Living in California, as I entered the world of construction, I began getting paid very well. Working long hours, my coworkers and I would rely upon using drugs to keep ourselves going. I started to get in trouble with the law over drugs. I began by getting time in the county jail and would serve, get out, and then get in trouble again. When that didn't seem to work, I began receiving state prison time – I admit, I was scared the first time, thinking about all the stuff you hear about prison. But, for me, it wasn't that bad. I learned how to navigate the prison system and stay out of trouble. Then I'd get out of prison and return to the same things because I wasn't scared of prison anymore.

Eventually, my heart started reacting to drugs in a very negative way. With or without the drugs, my heart would beat rapidly, my mind would be filled with fear, and I didn't want to have contact with people. I knew that I needed treatment. Then, one day, I was at a friend's house that got busted, so even though I wasn't on drugs, I was put in prison for a long time. It was there that I felt was my chance to cleanout. I didn't have the drugs in my system anymore so that I could start a new life –

my mind was going back to normal. However, as I was walking out of prison after my sentence, I was met by immigration – I was deported. I was like, this is not good. I didn't know anybody in Mexico, and my construction trade was in the states, using wood, not the brick and mortar of Mexico. So, I resorted to what I knew – selling drugs. I wasn't using them this time, but eventually, it caught up with me, and this time, I would be serving time in prison, but in Mexico. And, if you think prison in America is dangerous, it is nothing compared to that in Mexico. I was terrified.

While in prison in Mexico, I found God. I knew I had to make a decision. So, I began to study and give my life over to Him. Upon my release, I knew I couldn't go back to the old way of doing things. I joined a local church and attended a rehab center to maintain my sobriety, grow in the Lord, and support the healing from my struggles with addiction. After about a year, I became a counselor for those struggling with addiction.

In 2015, I was given the opportunity to attend the Bible Institute at FFHM. I knew God had a higher calling on my life. During this time, on a mission trip to Oaxaca, I met my future wife Rosa, and felt like that was where I was supposed to go next. After graduating in 2018, I moved to Oaxaca and started doing ministry there. I worked with people in the community and began sharing the Gospel through churches and teaching English lessons. In time, God led me back to FFHM. I was able to do this work, but with the support of the brothers and sisters in the ministry. It has been incredible to see how God has moved in my life, and I know He has even more. He is not done with me.



LOVE BEYOND REASON:

The coastal city of Huatulco attracts many tourists throughout the year. Many of these tourists are English speakers. One part of the ministry in Huatulco is teaching English classes to kids and adults in the community in order to obtain higher-earning employment. Having lived in the United States for many years, Carlos is able to teach English classes, while ministering and being a true reflection of Jesus. In affiliation with a local church, Carlos serves in the many outskirt communities, teaching the Gospel, and demonstrating Jesus' love for them.

Recently, we were able to get a look inside the day-to-day ministry in Huatulco. Helping with English lessons, it was apparent that this skill would benefit the young people greatly. We had the opportunity to visit a few communities with a lot of need for services and the Gospel. One thing that has stuck out in our time visiting the various ministries in Oaxaca is how much of the persecution and distaste for Christianity is throughout the Catholic church. This is no different in Huatulco.

There is a specific community that Carlos has been ministering to for a few years. He visits certain families every single week and will bring them basic food necessities. Likewise, he uses this time to create connections and show them that they are seen and cared for. As we approached one of the homes, Carlos told us that if the mother of the house was there, we would not be welcome; we simply deliver the food, say hello, and move on. He informed us that while the two daughters are Christians, neither the mom nor dad are. Dad has always been appreciative of the visits, but there have been many times when Carlos was yelled at to leave by the mother. For her, Christianity is in direct conflict with Catholic beliefs.

After speaking with the father and two children outside for about 5 minutes, someone told us it was time to go because the mother was home. However, before we left, she came outside, greeted Carlos, and thanked him for the food. As we walked away, Carlos expressed how huge this was – it was an answer to prayer. He explained that in his entire time visiting, that has never happened. One can only imagine God's work within her heart, with a consistent display of God's love – showing up where you're at and being an example of what it means to love beyond reason.





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