Oscar Chiquito - Guatemala

With a deep gratitude, Karla and I want to thank you for your prayers, support and care to our family. Emily and Emmanuel are growing up and doing very well.



Conference "The Challenges of the Evangelical Church in Central America"

Oscar gave a two-day conference on "The Challenges of the Evangelical Church in Central America" to a group of pastors from the Voice of God Denomination (VGD). VGD has established churches in Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras. Two hundred pastors from these three countries got together for this conference, and were challenged to committing themselves to be disciples and to make disciples of Christ as the Great Commission establishes.

Trip to Nepal:

Oscar traveled to Nepal to learn, share, and experience what the Evangelical church there is doing to expand God's kingdom. Oscar met with ministry leaders to talk about the importance of intentional discipleship in a growing Christian population. Oscar was also invited to speak to a group of students from the Nepal Bible College.

Leadership Development:

IGN implemented a two-day retreat and training to a group of 30 pastors and ministry leaders from IGN's West District. The purpose of the training is to empower ministry leaders on becoming disciples first, in order to make disciples of Christ. Eduardo Lejá and Oscar facilitated the training.

Prayer Requests:



You know of the eruption on June 3rd of the Fire Volcano (located about 30 miles from Guatemala City). It erupted as never before. More than 150 people died (pictured), many are still under ash/lava, and more than 3,600 people affected are now living in shelters. IGN and some of its partner churches have come to visit the ones affected (MBC!) by bringing them food, emotional

and spiritual help. Many people living in shelters are Evangelical Christians and it is encouraging to see they continue to worship God in the midst of their suffering and pain. Please pray for strength and God's provision toward their needs.

Thank you to the volunteers that helped with the PLAYGROUND water tent at Generosity Day! We raised \$167 which brings our Playground Fund Total to \$10,340.45! We will be selling water and frozen items during CHEESE DAYS in September, and many volunteers are needed. A sign-up for 2-hour shifts will be at the Welcome Center starting Aug. 12. Each volunteer will receive a free T-shirt.

Thank you MBC for your hours of service at the MACC (Monroe Area Community Closet). Help is needed weekly, and the hours are 2:30 -6 pm Monday's at the Church of the Nazarene.

Mission:Monroe now has Green County Food Pantry sign-up information available at the Welcome table and on Facebook. Two people are needed each Monday in August, from 1:45 - 4 pm. Direct questions to Carol Larson 558-1475. Sign up Today!

August is "Date Your Spouse" month at MBC ~ Check out the details on the enclosed insert!

Next Steps – Step 1 (1 s.) ~ Come and learn about "Our Mission & Vison" next Sunday, August 12th at Noon in the Nehemiah Center. Lunch is provided, so please sign up at the Welcome STEPS table.



Next Steps - Step 2 ~ "Our Core Beliefs" is only 2 sessions and will be on Sunday, August 12th and August 19th at 6:30 pm in the lower level, room #102. If you would like to join Monroe Bible Church, this step is required for membership. Sign up today at the Welcome table.



to eat by 5:30 pm.

items and volunteers are needed.

Primetimers - On Tuesday, August 14th we're rounding up the wagons and having an old trail ride supper. Get out your jeans, cowboy hat, and bring a dish to share. Fried Prairie Chicken will be provided and maybe CHUCK WAGON you can bring the other vittles (Like: cornbread, biscuits, beans, taters, or whatever your cook stove can provide). Please note we are starting a little earlier than usual. At 5 pm we'll have the coffee ready, and plan

MBC will be hosting a Blood Drive ~ Sign up at the Welcome table if you can help in any way on Wednesday, August 15th, 2 - 6 pm in the Nehemiah Center. Food

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, August 19 @ noon, when the Guatemala team will give their 30 minute presentation in the sanctuary. We hope to see you there!

Don't forget! It's a really good time of year to be thinking about your **Operation** Christmas Child shoebox while school supplies and other useful items can be purchased at a great price!



Sunday, August 12 Lord's Table

Worship Services: 9 am & 10:30 am Café Next Steps - Step 1 ~ Noon Lunch, NC Next Steps - Step 2 (s.1) ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Monday, August 13

Mission:Monroe ~ Volunteer at Green Cnty. Food Pantry ~ 1:45 pm – 4 pm Elder Board Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106 Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, August 14

Library hours ~ 10 am - noon, & 1 - 3 pm Primetimers Fellowship ~ 5 pm Coffee & 5:30 pm Chuckwagon Supper, NC/K

Wednesday, August 15

No Men's Noon Bible study Blood Drive at MBC ~ 2 – 6 pm, NC Garage Sale Drop Off at 18 & 8th ~ 4 -7 pm

Thursday, August 16

Narcotics Anonymous ~ 7 pm. LL #102

Friday, August 17

Primetimers Pizza Hut Lunch ~ 11:15 am

Team B ~ 8:30 pm, East Field

Team C ~ 9:30 pm, East Field

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Sunday, August 19

Worship Services: 9 am & 10:30 am Café Garage Sale Drop Off 18 & 8th ~ 10 am -12 pm

Guatemala Presentation ~ Noon. S Ignite Governor Dodge Camping ~ 1 pm (home Tuesday, August 21 about 3 pm) Next Steps – Step 2 (2 s.) \sim 6:30 pm, LL #102

Week of Aug. 5 - Aug. 11



Today, Sunday, August 5

Single Worship Service & Picnic Potluck: COMMUNITY CELEBRATION Service at Twining Park ~ 10:30 am 18 & 8th Garage Sale Drop-Off ~ 10 am-Noon at 18 & 8th

Monday, August 6

Mission: Monroe ~ Food Pantry, 1:45 pm - 4 pmMissions Meeting ~ 5 pm, LL #106 Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, August 7

MBC Library Open ~ 10 am - Noon, and 1 pm – 3 pm

Wednesday, August 8

Men's Noon Bible Study ~ LL #104

Thursday, August 9

Narcotics Anonymous ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, August 10

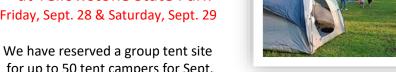
Team B ~ 8:30 pm Ump, East Field Team B vs Team C ~ 9:30 pm, East Field

Team A ~ 8:30 pm, West Field

Prayer Focus – Primetimers Ministry Ministry Leader – Ray & Becky Jones Please PRAY:

- † For the Aug. 14 Primetimers event; pray that it will be a blessing to all who attend.
- † For health and spiritual encouragement for our MBC seniors.
- † We PRAISE God for our active seniors who are always willing to step in and help where the Lord directs them.

Mark your calendar! **A Church Family Campout** at Yellowstone State Park Friday, Sept. 28 & Saturday, Sept. 29



for up to 50 tent campers for Sept. 28-30th. These sites have electricity on

them but are for TENT CAMPING ONLY. If you are interested in joining us but are not up to sleeping on the ground, you can still go to the website and reserve a camper site for these dates. We're limited to 50 total people for overnight, and

16 total tents that can be set up. A sign up sheet is at the Welcome table.

The cost per person is \$8. Please indicate on the sign up if you are staying over one or both nights and how many are in your family.

There is a separate sign up sheet if you would like to attend one or both of the church family meals on Friday and/or Saturday at 6 pm. Pastor Troy is looking for a food organizer for these two simple church family meals.

> If you are able to help, please call Pastor Troy (316-640-9946) or the church office (608-325-3966).

A WI State Park entrance sticker is required!

