

# November 2011 Mission Ministry Team REPORTS

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A report from Enrique Olivera regarding the Argentine Christian Institute translated by Tim Figgins.

- 1) We are entering our busy season, so we are expecting an influx of new students.
- 2) The Karate Do classes are increasing in size, as are the Aerobic Gym classes and the backbone duo of weights and stationary bikes (Spinning).
- 3) We bought two new machines and hope to buy two treadmills this month.
- 4) We hope to buy 3 new bikes for the Spinning classes.
- 5) The weight room is really too small for the students we have, and during peak hours there's no room for more people. We are checking to see if we can shift the weight room to a different part of the building.
- 6) The pool is just now beginning to show some increase. We will see this season if it is an activity we want to continue or not.
- 7) If the pool succeeds as an activity, we will need to pay for the construction of new dressing rooms-showers because the existing ones will not handle the load.
- 8) We also have pending the final replacement of the last section of the old roof, which will be a considerable expense.
- 9) Another modification that we have on standby is the opening of the front wall on one side to have more activities visible from the outside.
- 10) A project that we hope to complete as soon as possible is to allow electronic entrance and registration of customers via a magnetically released turnstile. This will allow us to attend to our existing customers more efficiently and give us more time to spend with new ones.
- 11) We have hired two new instructors for the weight room area, and they are both doing excellently. Both have degrees in Phys. Ed.

12) We need a general makeover for the existing façade of the ACI so as to be more in tune with how we are marketing the gym.

13) We have also been considering a makeover for the section that houses the church, something that makes it look more like what people here expect when they think of "church" since that seems to be an obstacle.

14) Along the same lines, we have been praying about the possibility of constructing a new unit for the church, so that we do not have to work around the hours of the ACI so much, as well as dealing with the need for something that looks more like a church building to folks here. This is something we will be consulting with the congregation about, so we ask for your prayers.

15) We do not have any more outstanding debts! We may need to take out a small loan for some of the above mentioned machines, but for the moment we are debt free. Praise the Lord!

16) Spiritually, we are constantly working to integrate the ACI with the church in ways that invite the students in the gym to come near and hear about Jesus.

17) We have tried hard to continue with our policy of hiring Christians, particularly from our congregation, to work in the gym and serve as a witness. This is the reason we hired Rodolfo and Mara, encouraged them, and helped them with courses and workshops to prep them to be instructors in some of the more popular activities. Shortly thereafter they stopped attending the church with no explanation. This is also a motive for prayer.

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, we hope that this overview encourages you in part and in part leaves you with the urgency of our need for more prayers to overcome the obstacles to spiritual growth that continue to slow us. We are always expectant and excited about what our Lord has prepared for us here. God bless you all greatly, and thank you for your efforts and support of the work here in Varela.

Enrique and Edith.

<b>Impact-UNCC</b>	<b>Susan Martin</b>
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Greetings!

I cannot believe the Fall semester is almost half over. Where does time go? I wanted to take a few moments and update you on how ministry has been...what God has been doing in our midst. I have made it a point this fall to calculate "the wins" in our ministry. What's a win? A win is when...I hear the stories of life-change. When I hear the stories of discipleship, when I hear the stories of students investing in the lives of their friends, roommates, classmates...the world around them. These stories are what we pray for. They are the collaboration of moments when someone starts to "get it" and "live it". They are the Kingdom of God colliding with earth.

One of the highlights of every fall is our annual Fall Retreat. This year we spit crickets, square danced, had a shaving cream war, played in the mud and built demolition derby cars (see the pictures of the madness [HERE](#).) But I would be remiss if I said those were my favorite parts of a retreat. My favorite part is always Sunday morning when I make my way into the freezing lake water and join a student as we baptize a their friend. I LOVE IT! It's why I do this job. To hear someone say, "I'm getting it. I want to follow Jesus. I want to be united in his death, burial and resurrection." That is a win! I've also been connecting with some students through face-to-face times of discipleship. Most of the students I meet with are student leaders. I push them! I expect big things from them. I challenged them to think differently, live differently and to accept the responsibility that comes with being a leader. My favorite thing to hear a person who is sitting across the table from me say is, "I've never thought of it that way." So many of our students are opening the Bible for the first time. This thing called following Jesus is new to them. When I see the proverbial light bulb flicker I know that I am seizing the unbelievable opportunity that God has placed in front of me ... I'm leading them closer and closer to the heart of God. That is a win!

Finally this fall I have been learning what it means to live in Rhythm. To be a good husband, good father, good pastor, good friend and good child of God. These have always seemed like impossibilities. I've struggled these past 3 years to do any of them well. But over the past 4 weeks I have been asking some difficult questions, spending time in quiet and reflection which has caused me to look deep within myself ... seeing weaknesses and strengths. I am stoked to report that I feel more in tune with these areas than ever before. I have a long way to go but I believe God can and will continue to shape me, mold me and sustain me. That is a win!

We as a staff are in the process of building a strong prayer team that will cover every Tuesday. Thank you for your continued love, friendship and support. I could not live out God's calling on my life without you. Grace & Peace my friends!

<b>InterVarsity - Benjamin Gibson</b>	<b>Kim Salisbury</b>
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Prayer: Pray for Benjamin as we come to the holiday season. Pray for the students and that they would be able to tell others about what the season really means

<b>Jay M. Robinson Bible Teaching Association</b>	<b>Suzanne Marburger</b>
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<b>Kentucky Christian University</b>	<b>Mike Ritzer</b>
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<b>Lifeline Christian Mission</b>	<b>Michelle Lyon</b>
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<b>Mid-Atlantic Christian University</b>	<b>Darrell Blackwell</b>
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First of all Sandra and Clay Perkins would like to thank CCC for our support and for the Missions Fair, they were very happy.

Pray for MACU students and safe travel over Thanksgiving Holiday travels and pray that all return.

Please remember these who are preaching, speaking, and/or representing Mid-Atlantic this week, Nov. 14-20:

- Many of us are traveling to the National Missionary Convention in Atlanta, GA, this week (convention dates: Nov. 17-20), although actual dates of departure and return vary: President and Mrs. Perkins, Dr. Robert Reese, Dr. Kevin Larsen, VP/Development Keith Wood, Admissions Director Dan Smith, and a host of students.
- Dr. Ken Greene is taking a group of students to the National Youth Workers Convention in Atlanta, GA, Nov. 17-21.
- Dr. Lee Fields is traveling to San Francisco, CA, Nov. 15-22, to present his paper on "Teaching Greek Aspect Using Communicative Methods" to the Evangelical Theological Society of Biblical Literature.

<b>Millsaps (Calvary Ministry Institute)</b>	<b>Rob &amp; Amie Walter</b>
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<b>Niños de Mexico</b>	<b>Joe Fill</b>
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<b>NW Bible Teaching Association</b>	<b>Kim Salisbury</b>
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We earned \$10,200.00 from the auction. I am humbled and so very grateful.

- Nov. 14 is our CiCi's Pizza fundraiser.
- Dec. 2 is the Holiday Hangout.
- Feb. is a Zumba-Thon fundraiser for the Bible classes.
- In March, we have the Spring Chicken Contest to earn money for our Senior Scholarship.
- April 28 is our Old Car Show to raise funds for the Bible classes.

Please let the church know how very much I appreciate their love, friendship, support and prayers.

<b>Park Springs Christian Center &amp; other camp</b>	<b>Steve Petty</b>
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<b>Sharon Ranalli (D.M. Stearns Missionary Fund)</b>	<b>OPEN (Charles Gregory)</b>
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<b>The Voice of the Martyrs</b>	<b>Ron and Melissa Ferrell</b>
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<b>Wings of Eagles Ranch</b>	<b>Lakey Curlee</b>
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**Wycliffe Bible Translators – Tom & Emily Salisbury****Paul Salisbury**

In August we had the great privilege of traveling to Peru to celebrate with the Huallaga Quechuas near the city of Huánuco in the mountains of Peru. These people had waited until now to have the whole Bible in the language they use in their own homes. Since August they have been able to read, hear, and understand the message of God's love for them.



Now we have been invited to return to Huánuco for several weeks. We will help pack and move from one of the properties our members have used for the past 30 years in their work of translation, literacy, teaching, and encouraging the use of scripture.



I know it is not easy for them to leave the property that has been home for some for many years. But, as many of the language projects are being completed, it is less critical to maintain this property and it has now been sold. There are still translation projects going on. Please keep praying for them. Around the world there are many hundreds of translations being done. It is exciting and encouraging to see that our work in Peru is probably only a few years away from being finished. Then, everyone in that country will have God's Word available to them in their own language.



Can you find us in the red truck?



Thanks for your prayers as we go to help in Peru. We appreciate your partnership with us! May God continue blessing you as you bless us.

Hasta luego,  
Tom & Em

**Wycliffe Bible Translators – Wally & Jean Schott****Kim Salisbury**

News: Wally is still recovering from the bypass surgery. There has been other issues that have come up from the surgery that has had to be dealt with and are still be dealt with so the recovery has been slow. One of the issues was a bleeding problem from hemorrhoids so the hemoglobin is very slow on returning to normal. Plus he got pneumonia and that slowed him down. There has been some issues with the spleen and a hemorrhage on it.

Prayer for strength for Wally to heal and for Jean who is having to handle many of the other duties around the house.

**Young Life – Cabarrus County****Chris Cote**