

It is the most wonderful time of the year! As we celebrate the joy of Christ's birth, we have been reflecting on all the blessings in our lives and ministry. YOU are a blessing to us and those we serve. Encouraging words, work teams, prayers and gifts made 2023 a year where our cup runneth over resulting in many coming to know the faithfulness of our God. We are humbled and grateful for each of you. THANK YOU never truly expresses how very much you are appreciated and loved.

Your support for us and Hearts and Hands for Jesus continued to provide significant impact in **2023**:

- **8** students graduated from high school this year making a total of 42 since the beginning of the mission
- **2** university graduates this year for a total of 4 since beginning of Hearts and Hands for Jesus
- **23** students promoting to kinder, middle and high school
- **170** back to school supply bags were provided for students at the beginning of the school year
- **12** churches in Limon continue participating in monthly prayer and fasting (this is our 3<sup>rd</sup> year)
- **586** bags of basic food provisions were distributed to families with food insecurity
- **41** different types of fruits, vegetables herbs and spices from the farm and vivero were harvested and distributed to families in the community
- **3** mission work teams were coordinated by Hearts and Hands for Jesus to address spiritual and community needs in Limon
- **2** trips to minister and assist with construction in other areas of Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Panama were made by Sally and Crosby
- **2** youth were baptized
- **3** babies were dedicated

- 2 home going celebrations

Individual Mentoring classes for those seeking a deeper relationship with the Lord have been on going with several new individuals beginning this year. We were greatly blessed with a home visit to the USA this fall where we met many new friends and assisted in preparing and providing meals for individuals with food insecurity. November brought the celebration of Sister Elizabeth's 105<sup>th</sup> birthday.

THEN

there was the MIRACLE of a new truck!!!

Proverbs 11: 25

The one that blesses others are abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped.

**2023** was a year of many blessings and ALL of this would not be possible without YOU! We continue to live into our vision of **BREAKING CHAINS, SHARING GOD'S LOVE, CHANGING LIVES!**

May God continue to lead us by the power of the Holy Spirit in 2024, calling each of us to action, as we continue in the business of building God's Kingdom and sharing the Good News!

COL. 4:6

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so you may know how to answer everyone.

In Christ,  
Crosby and Pastor Sally Johnson