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This December Rachelle was able to speak at our mother church's Christmas tea, which was a blessing for her. We love to minister to other churches also, not only our own. We also culminated our **WOMEN's** ministries by attending a special retreat at camp. Last year we had six women go, but this year we really pushed for more. Nine women were able to attend! They all felt blessed to be able to go and draw closer to God and each other. That is one thing that we have seen this year- our church family grow in unity. We praise God for this! Please pray it continues.

We are also investing in our **MEN**. Ben teaches in the local Bible Seminary, and a couple of our men have been training in it. As a result, they are being included in the teaching and preaching. Guillermo is one of those men. It is a joy to see him grow and mature into a man who seeks God and loves his family and God's people. He preached for the first time in church in December. He also leads a discipleship small group, and personally disciples 3 men. We praise God for him and for other men who are growing in their relationship with God. Please pray for the men of our church!

CHRISTMAS came just as it does every year, with new opportunities to reach out to our community with the Gospel. Our church prepared 20 food baskets for our own church members who are in need, and also for neighbors and friends our church members were thinking of and praying for. Please pray that God would keep using our church to reach our community with the good news of Jesus! We also had a wonderful Christmas service. There were many Bible readings & special music including our family, and a sweet song by the kids' choir.



Women's Retreat- 9 from our church were able to go! Please pray for Inés' salvation (standing front center with floral pants) .



Guillermo, preaching in church for the first time.



First children's choir song- "Away in a Manger"