

# Missionaries to Honduras

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## Central America Church Leadership Conference

From Jan 19-21, our team hosted the 2nd annual conference of pastors, missionaries, and church leaders from Central America. We heard from MTW missionary Rich Ramsey about living out the Kingdom of God in the local church. Each country was also able to share about how God is working in specific ministries and how we can be praying for one another. This conference allowed church leaders to be ministered to and share real struggles. All those attending were able to see that they are not alone and that there are others who think and feel the same and that God is working throughout this region. We have already begun the planning for the next conference in Costa Rica in 2017!



## Pastors Donaldo, Gregorio and Vicente

We realize that we have told you this in previous updates, but we are so very excited that God has provided a pastor to minister to the people of the community La Fe!! We knew that we, as a family and as a team, were not able to focus on the ministry in La Fe but God has brought to us Pastor Gregorio and his family who will be moving into La Fe in the coming days and will be ministering and living alongside so many of the families and children we have grown to care for so much.

### MTW La Ceiba Church Plants

Pastor Donaldo in the neighborhood Eden  
Pastor Vicente in the community La Trejo  
Pastor Gregorio in riverside village La Fe

**“Success and failure, ultimately, have little to do with living the gospel.**

**Jesus just stood with the outcasts until they were welcomed  
or until he was crucified — whichever came first.”**

**— Gregory J. Boyle, Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion**



### **Success and Failure**

We so often rate ourselves and our work based on observable results. Supporters like to put their money where there is a clear, measurable (and oftentimes desirable) result... but, honestly, our ministry is about the hearts of people which are not possible to measure, calculate, or predict. What may look like a failure in the moment may end up being a tremendous success in the future... or it may not - at least not in our lifetime. But who's to say something is a success or failure anyway?

The reason we mention this is that we felt that the firing of the previous pastor and decrease of time and energy spent in La Fe was a "failure". We felt bad to not be able to minister there as much and were almost ashamed to admit it to you. We saw it as a closing door... but now with a new ministry beginning there... perhaps what we took as failure was simply God's way of saying, "Just you wait! I have something even more grand in store!"

### **Prayer Support**

- Churches throughout Central America to continue growing in Word and deed
- Pastor Gregorio and his family as they begin living and working in the community of La Fe
- Our hearts to see God working through what seems to be failures - including the denial of Dixi's Visa to travel with us while we are in PA

### **Upcoming Events**

- Feb 5 - Dixi in National Spelling Bee (in English!)
- Feb 13-20 - Short-term team from PA
- Feb 14 - Ash flies to PA
- Feb 19 - Mike joins Ash in PA
- Feb 19 - Mar 16 - HMA in PA**
- Feb 21(AM) - Zeltenreich Ref Church -New Holland, PA
- Feb 21(PM) - CEFC -Elverson, PA



**Mike and Ashley Troxell**  
(with "daughter", Dixi)

***Thank you so much for  
your ongoing prayers  
and support!!  
We appreciate you!!***

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