

Gonzales Ministry Beginnings!

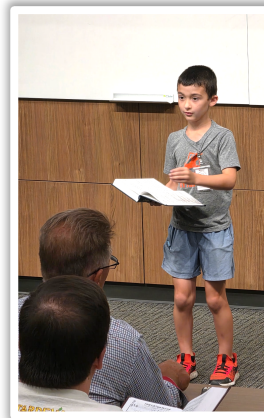
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July's Adventure

Happy September! It is almost fall, and our first two months in Lubbock have been a blast!

We participated in the Texas Normal Singing School for my 17th year. It was my first year heading up the video coaching we do for our song-leading students. Every summer, the spiritual food, the fellowship, and the singing lift our spirits! This year, SIBI instructor Dr. Arthur Puente presented *Worship in Revelation* at the Worship Leader Conference. That was a very rich topic. We were delighted to find that three of our students started SIBI's Adventures-In-Missions program or the School of Preaching this August with me! Diga led a song every night, and we were very proud of him! Dona also led "Jesus Love Me" with Dustin's help at the beginning of morning chapel.



Diga leads singing, and Dona leads a song at TNSS Chapel



Dr. Arthur Puente at the Worship Leader Conference

Still Smoking!

I was able to cook some pork that I had on hand for the beginning of classes, so I got to put the smoker to use and share our home and some food!





New Home

Our rental house fits us very well, and that makes Mama's life much easier than it could have been! Especially once the owners installed a dishwasher in late August! It is very dry here, so half of our backyard is sandy dirt. Our kids love playing in the dirt and in the mud when it rains!

New Friends

Our classmates have been very interested in getting together. We have had fellowship events at different homes 4 times through the first month of classes. Multiple times a week, different people will gather to play volleyball, frisbee, or pickleball, which is just tennis for kindergarteners. We also have monthly singings scheduled through December.

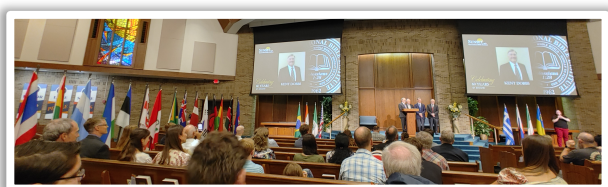
It is a blessing to see that these are initiated and organized by the students themselves. We came to Lubbock with few friends, and now we have many!

We have also gotten to enjoy many Sunset church singings on Wednesday nights this summer (called "WOW" for "Worship on Wednesdays").



New Classes

We began the year with the flag presentation, representing every country the gospel has spread to from Sunset. It was accompanied with a reading of the Great Commission in each language as well. This was one of my favorite moments from any chapel so far.



Classes this first term have been a blessing themselves. The instructors all express excitement for the material they get to teach, and each class has daily spiritual benefits. It is truly a great environment to be in.

Happy Fall!

We hope that all have had as great a summer as we have had, and we pray that everyone's fall is full of blessings and good times with old and new friends and family!



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