

GOD IS PRODUCING ENORMOUS SPIRITUAL FRUIT AND WE GET TO BE A PART OF IT.

Do you remember what it was like holding your dad's hand as a little child while he was quickly walking somewhere? Not dragging you, but definitely pulling you faster than you normally would go on your own. It is the sort of speed that makes you almost run as you bounce gleefully with delight.

This past year has felt a lot like that! LoveServes has been holding tightly and excitedly to God's hand!

Many of you may remember that God gave us a vision to take our ministry beyond the borders of the Dominican Republic. In 2020 we heard God's challenge to expand to five countries by 2025. Through Godorchestrated relationships, He has opened doors and windows to take us into those five countries as of this month! This year, alone, we launched into Brazil and Jamaica. And now, God has orchestrated the first steps to lead us into El Salvador!

The most exciting part about this **accelerating expansion**, is we already know how effective our ministry process is at helping equip **churches to restore their communities to Christ**. We have great confidence in the strategy God has given us to ignite and reignite thousands of more churches to equip all God's people to live on mission loving and serving their neighbors for the Gospel's sake.

We are deeply grateful for all those who have contributed their time, talents, and treasures so generously this year. Without this generosity **17,656 souls** would not have been saved. This was only possible because of the prayers and support of our LoveServes family. Thank you!

Peace be with you,

Peter Swanson

RESULTS ACHIEVED around the Globe

BRAZIL - On March 1, 2023 LoveServes launched training with 60 pastors in four states in Brazil to help their churches learn to reach lost and broken-hearted people in their community in practical ways. The training was facilitated by LoveServes' Coach Wallace Costa. Wallace and his wife, Silvia, moved to Brazil for 6 months to launch the training; they returned home to the USA in August 2023 and Wallace continued training and coaching with alternating months of in-person training and remote follow up. LoveServes' training was well-received by pastors, with an 82% retention rate and 79% monthly attendance average. Thirteen pastors launched new ministries in the first half of the year. The program is three quarters complete and will be repeated with a new network of 45 pastors in March 2024.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - The transition to regional Discipleship Multiplication workshops from the previous semi-annual training continues to bear great fruit. This year 7 workshops were hosted in a total of 8 regions, resulting in 198 pastors and 714 leaders being equipped for one-to-one discipleship. God is multiplying this ministry to equip churches to help new believers develop a solid foundation of faith, and grow them to become disciple makers too!

GUATEMALA - In conjunction with our in-country ministry partner, Association Saq B'e, the inaugural network of pastors in Guatemala completed their LoveServes training. A new training network of pastors was launched with the help of a part-time in-country Coach, Pastor Samuel Espana, one of the pastors who was part of the inaugural training group. This year 124 church pastors and leaders received training in Integral Mission principles (how to start and run holistic ministries) and 145 new ministries were started. These churches are celebrating 487 adult salvations and 287 believer's baptisms. God is multiplying the impact in Guatemala!

JAMAICA -LoveServes officially partnered with Jamaica Link Ministries in the summer of 2023 to bring LoveServes training to Jamaica. Jamaica Link's President, Dave Falconer has a vision to reach 1,600 churches across the island of Jamaica! Together we formed the first network of 12 pastors and launched our first monthly training in Montego Bay at the end of October 2023. LoveServes' President, Peter Swanson, is facilitating the monthly training in Jamaica. The pastors already share a desire to see God transform Jamaica from a mission field to a mission force.

THE IMPACT OF THE CHURCH REACHING OUT

- 179,612 Adult Salvations. Last year, over 17,656 adults accepted Jesus through relationships with LoveServes trained churches! That impact is multiplied as those new believers then share their faith with their families and friends
- 84,546 Believers have been **Baptized** in 17 years. 8,354 this past year.
- 3,388 churches have received LoveServes training in the Dominican Republic, Guatemala and the United States.

GOD IS FAITHFUL! HE IS MULTIPLYING AND MOBILIZING HIS PEOPLE - THE CHURCH.

Praise God for these initiatives of service, which are a testimony of the Church in hundreds of Dominican Republic, Guatemala, and U.S.A. communities.

- 1,877 people are actively involved in SmallCircle, a one-to-one discipleship program. This includes 714 disciple makers and 1,163 disciples.
- 1,912 new community ministries have been started, including Premarital Counseling, Counseling for Domestic Violence, Entrepreneurship, and Personal Finance. In 17 years, 13,300 Ministries have been implemented! These are the practical ways churches are ministering to lost people.
- The top five (5) outreaches are: to the sick, the elderly and the disabled, ministry to adolescents, training in Early Childhood Care and Education, family counseling and benevolence.

FOR THE SON OF MAN CAME TO SEEK AND TO SAVE THE LOST. - LUKE 19:10

As Church members serve their neighbors in practical ways and disciple them, God restores the brokenness in individuals, families, and their relationship with Christ. This is the experience of having activated healthy churches in the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Brazil and the United States. This is eternally significant Kingdom work.

Financial Report: 100% of your generous gift goes directly to cover the costs of ministry without any overhead deductions. LoveServes' total giving in the last 12 months was \$1,635,643.61. Thank you!

PRAYER FOCUS We need Wisdom! We invite you to join our prayer call on Wednesdays at 7:45 a.m.! The call in number is 561-867-0073. Please be in prayer for:

- Faith that moves us all from our seats to the streets loving our neighbors in practical ways.
- For all people to know the love of Christ!
- For Pastors to develop a clear vision for restoring their communities to Christ
- Divine strategies, creativity and wisdom.
- A Gideon army of like-minded people unified to expand God's kingdom to all nations.

BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST Ephesians 4:12 TESTIMONY OF THE MINISTRY IMPACT. MEET JOSÉ



José Hernández "I want to share with you my journey of transformation. A few years ago, I was addicted to drugs and alcohol. My life was consumed with violence -I'd fight anyone who crossed my path. But today, I stand before you as a changed person. I found a new path, a path of hope and healing in Jesus Christ."

We praise God that church members are actively serving their neighbors in their

community, discipling new believers in their faith and that lives are being transformed by the power of the Gospel, through the love of Christ.



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Our Vision is to develop healthy churches in all nations, equipping God's people to make disciples who make disciples (Matthew 28:19). Our Mission is to walk alongside pastors, coaching them to develop a healthy Church that equips its members to love God and love their neighbors. (Ephesians 4:12)

