



## Bold Faith in the Midst of Exile

In a closed country in the Middle East and North Africa region, less than one percent of the population is Christian. Yet the Church is growing, often quietly, through courageous converts from Islam and the spread of small house churches.

For many believers here, following Jesus comes at great personal cost: family rejection, threats of divorce, loss of inheritance, job loss, and ongoing harassment. Even churches face intimidation and attacks.

Amid these pressures, Harvesters recently held covert training for believers eager to share the life-changing Good News and plant churches. During the training, a veiled woman from a Muslim background stood to speak for the first time since giving her life to Christ.

Together with her husband, she shared a testimony that deeply moved everyone present. “We came here as refugees, fleeing war and injustice, carrying unspeakable pain,” she said. “But today we are discovering that the Lord did not abandon

us in our exile.” She explained how the Harvesters training helped her see that even as a refugee in difficult circumstances, she can still live as a disciple and a witness for Christ.

“I feel a boldness I have never known before,” she said. “The materials were not just lessons. I learned a practical method to break the barrier of fear and simply communicate the message of salvation.”

Now she and her husband carry a renewed vision. “We are not waiting for perfect circumstances to build a church,” she said. “We have learned to sow the seeds of God’s Kingdom in our homes and communities. Church planting is not a distant dream, but a reality we begin by discipling one person at a time.”

Through training like this, Harvesters is reaching some of the most desperate and difficult places – equipping and encouraging believers to stand firm, share the gospel, and see new churches planted. God is raising bold witnesses, and His Church is growing. 📖

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# Faithful in the Field **God's Work Through a Leader in Guatemala**

## A Growing Harvest in Guatemala

Guatemala is a nation of over 18 million people, marked by deep challenges including poverty, violence and widespread religiosity without true discipleship. Yet, in the midst of this, God is moving and lives are being transformed through the faithful work of pastors who are committed to the call.

One such leader is Pastor Daniel Quisquinay, a Harvesters partner whose life and ministry reflect both sacrifice and perseverance. Despite enduring profound personal loss – the passing of both his son and his beloved wife – Pastor Daniel continues to serve with unwavering faith. His heart beats for the people of Guatemala and for the Church of Christ to be firmly established across the nation. Through the vision and tools of Harvesters, Pastor Daniel is not only pastoring, but he is also multiplying.

## A Vision Taking Root

In the region surrounding Santa Apolonia, about 100 kilometres from Guatemala City, the impact is already visible. “Honestly, Harvesters has been a great blessing in my personal life,” Pastor Daniel shares. “It has given us new knowledge related to the growth and development of the church.” That knowledge is not simply theoretical; it is being applied on the ground. As Pastor Daniel and his team have embraced the Harvesters model, they have seen tangible results: stronger ministry teams, growing congregations, and new churches being planted.

“As of today, God has allowed us to plant nine churches in this region,” he shares. Nine churches within a 300-kilometre radius in just three years – each one a place where believers are discipled, leaders are raised, and communities are being reached with the Gospel.

## Raising the Next Generation of Leaders

Central to this growth is the development of Student Pastors – men and women who are being trained, discipled and released into ministry.

In Tecpán, western Guatemala, one of these leaders is Pastor Cesar Raxsha. Under Pastor Daniel's guidance, Cesar is leading a growing congregation of around 60 believers at Living God Ministries.

What stands behind this growing church is not just enthusiasm, but intentional preparation.

“The materials [from Harvesters] have been a great help to us,” Cesar shares. “We have made the most of these resources.” Through Harvesters' training, he is learning to prepare sermon outlines, disciple believers, and lead effectively in his community. “They encourage us to prepare,” he explains. “And we have been doing that, because it is very necessary.”

Though he may never meet those who have invested in his training, Cesar is deeply aware of the partnership behind his ministry. “Thank you, Harvesters, for sowing into our lives,” he says. “We are here working and using the guidelines.” This is the power of multiplication: resources given in one part of the world equipping leaders in another, resulting in lives transformed for eternity.





## Building for the Future

In Tecpán, the congregation has recently taken a significant step of faith: purchasing land to build a church building. What stands now is the beginning of that construction, a testimony to God's provision and the commitment of the local believers.

"This year He allowed us to buy this land through the effort of the brothers and sisters who gather here," Pastor Daniel explains. "Now we have the blessing of starting to build the church building itself."

This is more than a structure. It is a place where people will gather to worship, where the Word of God will be taught, and where many will come to know Christ. "We believe that many lives will be brought by the love of the Lord to accept Jesus as their Saviour," he says.



## An Expanding Work

Across western Guatemala, the ministry continues to grow. Church by church, leader by leader, the Gospel is taking root. Pastor Daniel has embraced the vision of Harvesters – to evangelise the unreached, plant churches, and disciple believers – and is now raising others to do the same. His Student Pastors are becoming leaders in their own right, carrying the mission forward into new communities.

This is how multiplication happens. Not through one leader alone, but through many who are trained, equipped and sent.

As this work unfolds, the words of Jesus remain as relevant as ever: "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."

In Guatemala, the fields are ready. Like the surrounding cornfields that will soon produce an abundant crop, there is a spiritual harvest waiting to be gathered. And God is answering the prayer for workers.

Through faithful leaders like Pastor Daniel, and through the training of Student Pastors like Cesar, more labourers are entering the field – prepared, equipped and committed to the work of the Gospel. The prayer continues: that God would raise up even more men and women who will give their lives to this mission. And as He does, the harvest will only continue to grow. All for His glory. ✉



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## 900 Bibles, Countless Lives Touched

In March, 48 passionate disciple-makers travelled to Eswatini with Harvesters to distribute 900 Bibles and share the Gospel. Despite heavy rain throughout the journey, the team arrived to clear skies, a reminder of God's faithfulness.

Ministry began at a school in Sipofaneni, where 750 learners gathered. After a lively youth session, 300 New Testaments were presented to the school. Teams then went out for street evangelism and outreach in nearby areas, with many people committing their lives to Christ and being connected to local churches for discipleship.

Later we were able to show the Jesus Film, where four more people responded to the Gospel — and we know that even one soul is reason for heaven to rejoice.

Bibles in Swati, Zulu and English were distributed to 21 newly planted churches. The hunger for God's Word was undeniable, with one woman walking 15km through the rain to receive her very first Bible.

Whatever it takes — God's will was done. ✉



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