

University Heights Church of Christ

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Dear Brothers and sisters, it is always a pleasure to talk to you about the Latino Ministry at University Heights, we stayed busy last months, ministering the Latin community, but visiting and preaching to several new families mainly Puerto Rican around Warren County and beyond. We are trying to keep growing while we help this new brothers and sisters that have come to Christ to mature in their spiritual faith and commitment to the Lord and the Church.

With every great blessing comes a hard work to take care of it, so we appreciate your prayers for this work, they help tremendously; as in any culture of the world eating together is really important, we had several Holydays at church that we celebrated with a meal, that create an opportunity to invite new friends to come to listen the Gospel of Christ, and since the power to change people is within that precious words of life, the 2018 we end with 65 baptisms total, during the six years of this ministry, that is wonderful but it means we have even more work to do.

Ministry it's been blessed with the addition of two young men from Nicaragua, both capable of preaching and teaching and excellent song leaders, I feel fortunate to have two brothers that help quite often, Evert and Geovanny Saldaña, besides we have around 12 brothers serving during our worship time; on the other hand we have about 7 ladies serving, teaching to the children etc.

We are using the same strategic which is service, I translate, visit hospital, houses, personal studies, Several Latin brothers help with Lifecare ministry and visit people in need, specially Puerto Rican after that recently arrived to the country After Hurricane Maria. We help in any need that we can fill.

We had two baptisms Karina Del Toro and her daughter Bianca

2018 was a difficult year for me and my family, due to the political unrest in our native country, and my father in law passed away after he battle cancer for many months, he was baptized in Nicaragua for the remission of his sins and that is our consolation, on the other hand my wife Claudia was having some health issues but thank God she is doing fine; We know 2019 is going to be great.

Thank you for your financial aid, and mostly for your prayers, please take a minute to pray for us.

Very truly Yours Luis A Betanco.

Luis A Betanco