



"...Let the whole earth be filled with His glory!!"

Psalm 72:19

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Kingdom Kids Christmas 2023 final report - Thank you all!



You all have supplied 360,000 children with their school supplies over the years through KKC outreaches.

These backpacks are filled with school supplies, toys, cookies, candy and a powerful gospel booklet that Voice of the Martyrs supplies for us to go in every backpack.

And you all know us well... You can be assured that the gospel is always boldly preached at every location!!

48,919 people attended KKC outreaches in 415 different communities!
13,085 people responded in the invitations to surrender their lives to Jesus!!
2,914 of those saved were adults... 44 new churches were planted!!

Each year we turn HEA's World Missions Operations Center into a Factory!!

For KKC 2023, 27 people came from 7 different churches in the USA to our center in Chiapas, Mexico for their KKC 2023 missions trips!! Together with HEA staff and our School of Front Line Missions students, we filled the 20,000 backpacks, trained, fed, and equipped over 600 pastors and their leaders, and pressed into the harvest together for the glory of God!!! Each and every team member was amazing!



Also, we want to thank you to all who gave so generously for this incredible evangelistic, church planting outreach! A special thank you goes out to the 6 people whose sponsorships alone covered 14,000 of the backpacks!! Four thousand of the 20,000 backpacks were sponsored by 1 dear family! You all know who you are!! It takes all of those large donations along with mountains of small donations each year for the KKC to happen! Every single donation large or small is a miracle sent by God himself!



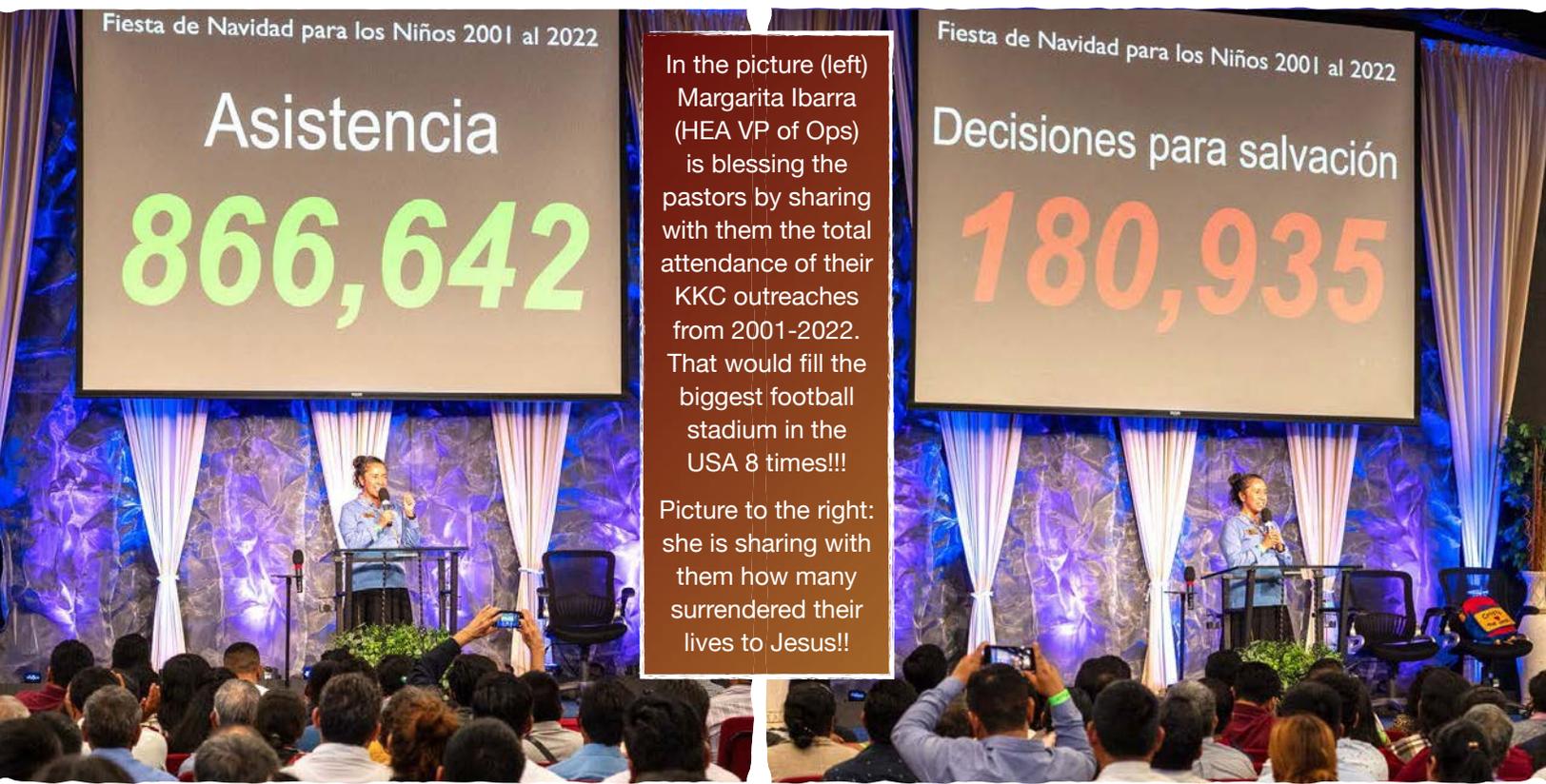
Praying over the 20,000 backpacks before we started filling!



700 pastors and leaders filled HEA's World Missions Operations Center in Southern Mexico for an entire day of training of how to use these 20,000 backpacks to reach entire families and plant churches!!



The pastors go through an entire day of training where we go over every detail of this evangelistic outreach. We want it to be the best it can be!! These backpacks are tools that you all help us put into the hands of these pastors that they use to do what they do best, boldly preach the gospel to the entire family in their own communities, in their own country, in their own languages!! Every pastor of the 415 different communities where the KKC outreaches were held is always required to return to our center in January for their "after the project debriefings" where we go over every detail of their outreaches, their reports, and testimonies. Each pastor will spend at least 30 min with HEA staff.



In the picture (left) Margarita Ibarra (HEA VP of Ops) is blessing the pastors by sharing with them the total attendance of their KKC outreaches from 2001-2022. That would fill the biggest football stadium in the USA 8 times!!!

Picture to the right: she is sharing with them how many surrendered their lives to Jesus!!

Many of these pastors work in areas that are heavily persecuted, and they have suffered much. Some of them have had their homes burned down for their faith in Jesus Christ. One of our own HEA church planters, Manuel, was even attacked years ago by men with machetes, and they cut his left arm off just below the elbow. There are over 1,000 pastors in our data base that work with HEA through our center in one form or another. The numbers above are just one small representation of the impact that you all, our partners, have had in this world through your support!!

It was such a blessing to have pastor Royce Smith of The Fellowship of San Antonio with us to pour his heart into the pastors. He encouraged them that no matter the fires they go through, they are not alone. Jesus is there with us! Miguel translated for him. Margarita, Michele and Greg taught in the training also.



And yes - Some of the pastors and children's leaders were gloriously saved... As Greg always tells them, "Just leaving one's cultural religion to join a bible believing church does not mean you are a christian... you must be born again!"



After training and feeding the pastors, we count out the 20,000 backpacks and help the pastors load!



This is one of the Kingdom Kids Christmas outreaches that we held as a part of the groups mission trip. This is similar to what was done in 415 different communities where KKC 2023 outreaches were held (although on a smaller scale in many cases). In the pastors training, we tell them that the goal is to make it an event to reach the entire family. These pictures are a powerful illustration of how important these KKC outreaches really are!



At HEA we have always said that we are about planting churches one family at a time!! One of the ways that we reach entire families, especially in persecuted areas, is through the children's outreaches like these. It always touches parents hearts when someone cares for the kids.

The missions team members did an amazing job of sharing the gospel with the kids and their parents, and as you can see in the pictures below, so many of the kids parents and family surrendered their lives to Jesus!!

A special thanks to each of you and your churches who came on the KKC 2023 mission trip and poured your lives out that others can know Jesus! You were all such a blessing to all of us!! Please come again next year!!

Almost 25% of those attending KKC were moms, dads, grandmas and grandpas!
15,000 of the 48,919 people who attended KKC outreaches in the 415 different communities were adults!!



Again, the gospel is boldly preached at every location... 44 new churches were planted!!



One of the amazing testimonies from the pastors

Pastor Sanchez shared this story with us in the KKC debriefings...

...On the day of the Backpack outreach, Estefani, 8 years old, and her mother, Mileydi, 28 years old, attended. They live in a very poor area. When it was time for the invitation, we invited the people to come and surrender their lives to Jesus. Mileydi together with her daughter both came forward.

They both were crying so much. Mileydi told us that she suffered so much at home with her husband because he beats and mistreats her. She said that she knew that when she returned home he would be waiting and would be angry and beat her because she went to the mission!

She said that even though she knew he would beat her for going, it would be worth it for her daughter to have a few moments of happiness. Mileydi and Estefani both were very excited to surrender their lives to Jesus!

Mileydi told us that her husband was waiting for them, and yes he was very angry. She remembered what we had shared at the event about what the colors of the backpack meant.

She very quickly showed him the backpack and told him that the red represented the blood of Jesus Christ!!!! She said that her husband was suddenly paralyzed and could not move for a long time! She was very distraught and didn't know what to do!!

She quickly called her neighbor, and they decided to bring him to us at the church. We prayed for her husband, Juan Hernández, 45 years old, and he was instantly freed (from his paralyzed state). As a result he surrendered to Jesus as his Savior!!

He asked his wife Mileydi to forgive him and since that very day they have been attending our church regularly with Estefani!!

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With the growth of the ongoing ministries of HEA over the years as well as the very sharp increase in costs of everything due to inflation, we need a very large increase in monthly support.

Also, many dear friends of HEA who have generously supported the ministry over the years have now joined their Lord and Savior in heaven. They have truly planted an eternal heritage that will stand for all eternity. They are all greatly missed by all of us here at HEA. We look forward to the day we will see them all again!

Would you please consider joining us as a World Harvest Partner? Just set up recurring monthly giving to help us keep reaching the lost and planting churches around the world.

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