

This is Al Tricarico reporting the March 16, 2022, edition of *Home Missions Today*. God is using your prayers to develop the ministries of Orthodox Presbyterian mission works across North America.

GUAYAMA, PUERTO RICO — Bradney and Eileen Lopez



The congregation of Iglesia Presbiteriana Sola Escritura has moved! Pastor Bradney Lopez now leads worship at a facility in Guayama, Puerto Rico—an answer to prayer. Please pray for the church's witness in this new location. Pray that God would save local families and bring them to worship. Pastor Lopez writes, "Times are difficult on the island, but we still enjoy our life in the Lord. The church keeps growing, and the members are worshipping God with reverence and joy."

CORONA, CALIFORNIA — Andrew and Rebekah Canavan



In our current Ephesians sermon series, Corona Presbyterian Church has been reminded often that the ordinary life of the church is the stage for the Lord's work of new creation. We've also seen that in practice as people have stepped up for mercy ministry, for training in discipleship, and for opportunities to share the gospel with their neighbors. Our discipleship training course stands out as a particularly exciting development so far this year. We initially prayed for seven participants for a mid-week course on Bible study, prayer, and gospel-centered relationships. The Lord more than provided and we've ended up with eighteen participants! Please pray that this effort bears great fruit not only in the lives of participants but in their families and in the church. Please pray that the Lord would grow the mission work in maturity and in number. Like most churches in California, we've had a few recent bittersweet farewells as families relocate. As a church we are praying for five new families and three adult conversions and baptisms before the end of 2022. We are so thankful for our sister churches in the OPC and the many prayer supporters who stand with us. In Corona we have seen that the Lord is building his church, "the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone." (Ephesians 2:19–20)

DEER PARK, NEW YORK — Bill and Margaret Shishko



We continue to enjoy the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in our worship services; and our times of prayer via Zoom on Wednesday night are rich with "the Spirit of grace and supplication." We were so blessed by the outpouring of financial giving in 2021. We also have been receiving building fund gifts to be used for the purchase of property and a facility in Commack, NY. We're about ¼ of the way to our goal of raising the \$425,000 purchase price. One of our Havenites has a Bible Study every other week with the twin daughters of one of our Haven members. Pray for the Lord to open their eyes and turn them to Christ. Likewise pray for a young Jewish mother with whom I have a Zoom evangelistic study on an almost weekly basis. All of our Havenites are involved in bringing the gospel to others. Pray that the Lord will draw people to Christ from this outreach.

WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY — Chris Byrd



The Lord has shown his blessing the past few months. Perhaps the most exciting thing is our evangelistic ESL program, which we started again in February, after having run a four-month program last year. We are seeing significantly greater fruit this year. We're averaging more than fifteen students a week, and about a dozen have been coming to worship for the past three weeks! Almost all are Spanish speaking with a Roman Catholic background, and so while holding a general belief in God, have little exposure to the gospel. Pray that the Lord will grant these students repentance, faith, and a true knowledge of Jesus as the Word is preached and shared with them. In January I befriended the Muslim immigrant owner of a local Afghan restaurant. I've been sharing the gospel with him on my regular visits, and he recently said he would like to read the Bible, and asked me for a copy. Pray for my continued witness and pray for the Lord to open his eyes and heart to Jesus through the Word. Pray also for our upcoming Easter breakfast and service outreach, and pray that the Lord will increase our congregation's love for the outsider and increase our desire and commitment to making disciples!

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