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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

In September, I was able to travel to Clarkston, GA with several people from the Frontier Initiative team and a few others interested in checking out the missionary training school there. While in Clarkston, I met a woman who arrived in the US as a refugee from the Middle East. She shared with me her testimony. She decided to study the Koran when she was 15 years old. When she began to read it, she said God told her that it isn't His truth. She began to write the things that she felt God was telling her. She told me, "I was writing about Jesus before I even knew Him." She renounced Islam (though she wasn't a Christian yet) and moved away to study in college. It wasn't until she met her husband that she heard of Jesus Christ. Her husband told her she needed to read the Bible and she refused, as she'd been told it's not true her whole life by her Muslim family. Finally, she agreed to read it, and found that the person she'd written about is Jesus and that His truth is in the Bible! How incredible to hear this story first-hand from a young woman who was raised in a Muslim culture and was seeking truth. God is truly revealing His truth to those who desire to know Him! As she spoke, I was struck by the importance of sharing the gospel message. She knew Islam wasn't the way to God, but didn't know Jesus until years later.



In Mid-September I spent some time in Miami with former Costa Rican pastors. It was a wonderful chance to see them and meet the head pastor of the church they're part of. This was my first mobilization visit to a Latin church in the US. I hope to continue to build relationship with that main church, and the branch these pastors are starting and I'm thankful for their interest in missions.

At the end of September, I was able to participate in my first lead team retreat. We met as a team and discussed our plans for the year ahead. It was a wonderful time together as a team and a very fruitful time of sharing and planning.

I traveled to Rosedale Bible College in Ohio at the beginning of October and was able to share with students there about Globe International. It was a wonderful time on campus and also a great visit with the Peachey family, who kindly hosted me during my visit.

On October 14th, I traveled to Costa Rica where I was able to take some time to rest and visit with those who are so dear to my heart! I spent two weeks of vacation there and then 10 days working as I traveled to VidaNet and met with students in their discipleship training school and also had other meetings regarding a possible Globe Costa Rica, possible future Kairos courses, etc. During that time, I also preached at a Mennonite Church there!

I traveled to Pennsylvania last week and was able to be at the HarvestNet International annual summit. I'm thankful I was able to represent Globe at their summit and hope to find it was a successful recruiting and mobilizing trip! I will talk more about it in my next newsletter.

Thank you for your continued prayers and partnership. I sure appreciate you! Sending much love, Christy

- Christy



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