

Prayer and Praise - December 17, 2025

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder. And his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)



Jamaica Relief Aid: Our heartfelt appreciation for your sacrificial giving for Cuba and Jamaica. We want to share with you that your generosity has made a profound difference in the relief efforts for Jamaica, and we are thrilled to share the remarkable impact you have helped create. Thanks to your support, we have raised nearly \$12,000 to aid disaster relief for both Cuba and Jamaica. This incredible contribution enabled a large shipment of essential supplies, coordinated by Pastor Karl Francis and Living Word Open Bible Churches in Cooper City, Florida, to reach Open Bible Churches in Jamaica, where it was thoughtfully distributed across the country.



As people received their much-needed packages, they were also touched by the Word of God, which brought hope, encouragement, and comfort in the midst of hardship. Your gifts went beyond providing practical assistance—they opened doors for countless individuals to encounter God's love in a deeply meaningful and tangible way.

This ministry of compassionate service, sharing the Gospel, and addressing urgent needs has truly transformed lives. From the depths of our hearts, we extend our sincerest thanks. The pastors, churches, and communities of Jamaica join us in expressing their profound gratitude for your generosity. Your kindness is a lasting blessing that will be cherished for years to come.

We invite and encourage you, if you have not yet had the opportunity to give and would like to do so, to please visit: http://openbible.org/JamaicaCuba2025. Thank you once again for partnering with us to bring hope and compassion through our combined sacrificial giving.

Tijuana, Mexico: Missionaries Justus and Michaela shared: "This past Saturday, we witnessed God's love in a



beautiful and tangible way during our Christmas party at the orphanage. The children's laughter filled the air as they played games, won prizes, decorated cookies, and opened their presents. It was a joy to see their faces light up, and a true blessing to be able to share the love of Jesus with them in such a simple, yet meaningful way. The staff and children alike were touched, and we are so grateful for the many generous hearts who donated to make this Christmas extra special. Truly, it was a reminder of how God works through each of us to bring joy and hope to His children."

Ukraine: Please join Missionary Tammy Swailes in continuous prayer for Ukraine. Tammy has shared a short video, "Merry Christmas from Ukraine." You can watch the video by visiting the following link: https://www.youtube.com/shorts/DS1ytna826g

Northern Mexico: Missionary Fayth McConnel shares that at the safe house, leaders Ceasar and Mary faithfully minister to children ages five and up. This ministry is centered on winning children to Jesus and meeting their physical and spiritual needs. The kids are fed, make crafts, play games, receive spiritual guidance, learn Bible stories, and are taught how to worship the Lord.



Recently, they celebrated their Christmas party, where the children

enjoyed tamales, sang songs, danced, and worshipped the Lord together. The kids also received gifts and candy and had an incredible time. It was a special blessing to see Ceasar and Mary's daughters—Melissa, Naomi, and Abigail—serving alongside them and helping with both the party and the ministry. They were a tremendous help.

We are deeply thankful for your continued support, which makes it possible for this ministry to reach and impact on so many children. Please continue to keep this ministry in your prayers.

Paraguay: Field director Néstor Paredes shared: "I thank God for His great faithfulness and goodness. On



December 6, 2025, we experienced an excellent and truly blessed convention here in Paraguay. We have seen God at work in powerful ways, advancing His work in our nation. I am deeply grateful for your prayers and support, and we continue to stand united in prayer for the worldwide mission of the Open Bible Churches. I pray that God will bless and grant great wisdom to our

Executive Director, Rev. Vicente, and to the entire ministerial team as they faithfully continue expanding His Kingdom in many countries. Thank you for your continued prayers. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year 2026."



Reminder: There will be **no** *Prayer and Praise* sent out next two weeks, December 24 and 31, 2025. From all of us in the Global Missions Department, we wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a blessed and Happy New Year. May this season be filled with joy, peace, and the love of Christ.

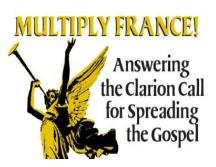
Holiday Hours:

- Christmas: Closed December 24–26
- New Year's: Closed at 12:00 PM (noon) on Wednesday, December 31, and closed January 1-2, 2026

Global Harvest Offering 2024-2025:

Would you join the **Multiply France** team by giving an offering that will help our pastors reach their communities? Our priority will be to provide funds so that our Open Bible leadership in France can plant more churches and spread the Gospel of Christ.

Donations can be made online at <u>openbible.org/MultiplyFrance</u> or by mailing a check payable to Open Bible Churches and write "Multiply France" in the memo line to our address below.



Please share with your congregation or with other interested individuals. Thank you for praying and caring.