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## PANAMA NEW CTC LOCATION





Photo of Pastor Saul & Vielka Mosquiera and their son David, along with Sondra Livermore and RevC, on the platform of the International Ministry House of God Church in Panama City, Panama.

At the age of 18, Pastor Saul became a professional boxer

which eventually led to his involvement with drugs and an ungodly lifestyle. He then obtained a job working with the government as the administrator of the Panama lottery. At that time, he had very little concern for the welfare of others, and his mother warned him that he would soon die because of his lifestyle.

Pastor Saul came to know Jesus about 15 years ago when he realized he had no peace or direction in his life. After his salvation experience, he felt the need for Bible training and enrolled in the online Bible program *Instituto Biblico*. Soon after, he met his future wife Vielka. They studied the Bible program together and eventually married. He slowly began to see his heart for people change, along with many other things in his life. Though he was in charge of the lottery, he began warning people not to buy lottery tickets. Then, when elections changed the government, he was placed in charge of logistics involving customs.

Pastor Saul began to help churches get supplies through customs, but his superior warned him that doing so could cost him his job. As his desire to serve God was stronger than his desire for material things, he did lose his job. The day he left the customs office for the last time was a turning point in this life. He told his wife he felt the Lord wanted him to open a church.

The Mosquieras had only \$600, so they rented a small apartment for the church. That first month's rent plus a \$300 deposit took all their money. The second month, the landlord raised the monthly rent to \$600. Pastor

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Saul told God that he had no more money and that God needed to pay the rent or provide a place for the church.

A few days later, he went to the driver's license office where the principal of the district saw him and said, "Pastor, I was looking for you!" Pastor Saul answered, "Oh!! Do you need prayer?" The district principal answered, "Yes! But also, I have a place for you to build your church." I believe the district principal gave the land and some materials to help construct the church. They began the church with just the roof, then the Lord opened the windows of heaven through a charitable foundation to help Pastor Saul's ministry put up a building. The building is very simple (see photo below).

Not long after this, the president of Panama went to a local Catholic church to seek their support for his presidency, but the Catholic church declined to help. A member of Pastor Saul's church who knows him suggested that he meet Pastor Saul. The president then arranged to meet with Pastor Saul who offered to spend time praying with him and for him. To date, the president has been to the church twice seeking prayer, God's guidance, and blessing.

The church, now 4 years old, is located in a very poor area. The ministry has grown, and though the building is still very rough inside, it is functional. The church is currently providing hot meals to the homeless. Pastor and Vielka



have seen many people come to Christ and begin to change by the power of the Holy Spirit and the demonstration of God's love. Pastor Saul also does evangelism on buses and in parks, where most of the people in the city and even the police are afraid to go. The Lord sent Pastor Saul, and he is always willing to go!

Sondra visited Pastor Saul and Vielka some months ago



Exam time, Sondra helping student with poor reading & writing skills

in preparation for the start of the CTC program. Sondra later returned, and I met her there to teach the first subject and get them started. Sondra stayed with her friend Marta, who



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knew Pastor Saul and set up the initial contact for Sondra, and two other women in Marta's very small efficiency apartment. I stayed with Pastor Saul's family in a small room that was under construction and had no elec-

tricity. My bed was a twin size iron frame with iron rods about 12" apart that supported a 2" foam mattress. The badly worn mattress did little to provide comfort and only made my back condition worse. By morning, I felt as though I had been beaten with a ball bat. Needless to say, that evening on our way home from teaching CTC all day, we stopped at a mattress store where I purchased a new, sturdy 6" foam mattress which was the best \$40 I have spent in some time!

Like Ecuador, there was no hot water in the house. That cold shower at 6 a.m. each morning served to wake every cell of my body almost instantly to a full alert status! To add to the challenge, during the night there was a cat in heat howling outside the only small open window in my room. The dogs barked constantly at the cat, and by 3:30 a.m. when the cat stopped, the roosters started crowing. Needless to say, I did not need my alarm when it was time for me to get up!

I have noticed that the older I get, the more difficult these kinds of trips become. My problems pale, however, in comparison to what the enemy put Pastor Saul and Vielka through leading up to our arrival. Three times the plumbing in their house, which had never been a problem, burst. They found themselves with an inch or more of water throughout a major portion of

their house. There were still remnants of that when I arrived.

On the third day of my visit, the Mosquieras' small, old car broke down. Because their home is presently 45 minutes from the church, we used very small taxis to get around. I gave Pastor Saul money to get his car fixed, but they were still trying to get parts when I left. To add to our challenges, the enemy managed to cut off the water supply to the area where they live, which meant no water for at least a day. Fortunately, I had enough bottled water that I was able to wash my hair in the morning (a daily must for me no matter what else). As it was the last day with them, I arranged to stay in town that night at a hotel so I could get a hot shower and a night's rest before we left for the airport at 5:30 a.m. Sondra remarked at the airport, "Be sure and tell everyone how much fun you had in Panama!"

Well, though it was not much fun, it was profitable! We



Pastor Saul asked me to lead the students in communion

left with a new CTC program of about 20 students underway.
Three or four of the students could not read or write, so we are offering them a "Certificate of Attendance" if they continue.
The others seem hungry to learn and serve God. Some of them

are already pastoring, even without training.

Pastor Saul and Vielka are excited about the opportunity to train pastors. They have some other churches they expect to



join the program when they restart their normal Saturday classes. Please keep them in your prayers.

This is another reason why we need those of you who have yet to partner with us to become "Project Gideon" partners and consider giving \$15 or \$30 each month. 100% will go to projects like this one. We need your help & your decision to do so will make a difference! Thank you & I'm praying for you!

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