RAÚL & ADRIANNA HERRERA | CONNECTION COACHES | CENTRAL AMERICA | APR-2024

PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God that groups and churches are beginning to engage in Witness trips in Central America! Adrianna has worked on this project for over a year, and we are thankful to see some fruit
- Pray with us for God to use us to build community in Sioux Falls, and for churches to respond to the invitations we offer to facilitate trainings and discussions.
- Praise for Faithwalking in Central America, and prayers for participants to continue to grow and be encouraged in their faith and ministries.
- Thanksgiving for the baby we are expecting and prayers that all will go well in the remainder of the pregnancy, birth, and afterwards.

We invite you to join us on **Zoom on Saturday**, **April 27** to talk about life and ministry with us. Details in email.

MATCHING CAMPAIGN

From March 11-April 30th, a generous donor has has pledged to match donations to Resonate's "Where Most Needed Fund" dollar for dollar! That's great news for Resonate and it also means we need your help. It's vital that we all work together to match this incredible gift. One of the biggest ways you can help is to share the word about this opportunity with your network. Visit

www.resonateglobalmission.org/double to double your impact!



Cohort Central America members pictures at Faithwalking Module 2 in Honduras

FAITHWALKING MODULE II

From Feb. 28-Mar 4, Resonate hosted two events for the same purpose: the second module of Faithwalking. First partner representatives went through the training, and then Cohort Central America alumni and current participants. Through large-group facilitation, solitude for prayer and reflection, small group discussion, and feedback with the whole group, 40 people received tools for their spiritual and emotional growth, considering their shame and what it takes to be an authentic community in the light of Christ's truth and grace.

Participants celebrated the way God orchestrated their groups and enjoyed time together in person. There are six modules total to this training, alternating between virtual and in-person formats. Our Resonate team hopes to strengthen the people who are part of our network and give them tools for emotional and spiritual growth through this training. Participants have been very satisfied with their experiences.

One described the time as "an embrace from the Lord," and another wrote that it was "a time to open my heart to people who listened to me without judging, recognizing my wounds and allowing God to begin His work." It was a safe place for partners and Cohort members to share, to breathe, and to enjoy fellowship together.

Adrianna went as a Cohort participant, and being in Honduras with people she knew and loved was a refreshing gift. Additionally, she helped supervise the local coordinator that Resonate hired for this event. It was a lot of details and decision-making, but thankfully God provided a way for all those who were interested to participate, and the events went very well.





Left: Adrianna co-faciltated a Go Local workshop in Pella with Brad Meinders Right: Recent family picture

GOING LOCAL

Now that we are living in Sioux Falls, we have been trying to figure out how God is calling us to be involved here locally as well as remotely in Central America. It has been very hard for us to find community here, partly because of nearly constant sickness at our house over the winter, and partly because this is a new culture for us that we are trying to learn.

One way that Adrianna has been trying to work locally is by collaborating with the US Central Resonate team. Some of my work will be dedicated to strengthening relationships with churches in the Sioux areas, helping plan vision trips, looking for ways to support international missionaries on ReConnect, and facilitating Go Local workshops. I was already doing a lot of this, and now I am more integrated into the US regional team also. Please pray for us as we seek to build community personally, but also in our work. One idea that is developing is to facilitate conversations in churches around migration, using our experiences in Central America, facts about the current migration situation, and ideas for welcoming and engaging new people into our communities. Pray that God will open doors for these conversations to happen where they are needed.

We also continue to look for ways to get to know our neighbors. Winter made that difficult for us, but as spring begins, we are hopeful there will be more opportunities that feel natural to us.

Adrianna continues to facilitate Go Local workshops in the region, leading churches in the practices of dwelling in God's Word together, being attentive in our neighborhoods, and asking ourselves how God is at work.

FAMILY UPDATE

We are still living in South Dakota and working remotely for the Central America region as missionaries. Raúl has been finding a lot of satisfaction in working part-time as a trim carpenter, a packaging organizer for an Amazon seller, and soon a vegetable farmer. Still no green card, but he has a work permit and permission to leave the US if needed. Adrianna has been thankful to guide new partnerships and vision trips in Central America, and collaborate with the local Resonate team for Go Local and church interactions. Oliver turns 2 on April 9, and he will start daycare part-time April 15 so he can have more social interaction and learning opportunities. He also seems happy to be a big brother! We hope to welcome Baby Boy Herrera #2 around August 1, 2024. So far everything is going well, and we praise God for this addition to our family!

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