

Greetings from the mission field of New York City!

What a beautiful season of ministry we have had over the last few months. We finished a busy summer of day camps, evangelistic outreaches, and hosting several mission teams. We planted a great deal of Gospel seeds and even reaped some harvest. Now as we transition to fall, the

follow-up process for all of our summer contacts has begun and we continue the process of launching our newest





Our teammates, Elvis & Emily Leon, have been traveling since August to continue raising their missionary support. Elvis took over our second church plant, Beach Church in Queens, last May. Their absence has given us the opportunity to step back into serving there full-time and it has been exciting to reconnect with the people there. Over the last few months, God has really been working in hearts and we've seen many saved, baptized, and even babies dedicated. What a joy to see believers developing into faithful disciples. We're so grateful for the Leons and their dedication to serving here in NYC.



Along with serving at Beach Church, we have been pulling double duty in another area of Queens. This month we had our first official launch meeting for our 3rd church plant in Rego Park. We've been working with veteran missionaries,



John & Joy Gibson, who have faithfully been serving in NYC for over 20 years. They have a core group of people they've ministered to that will be joining us as we launch this new church. We had over 20 people join us for our first meeting. We also hosted our first Connect Kids event with 10 families joining us for games, songs, food, and a Bible lesson. Small groups have also started and we are excited about the growth already taking place even before the official launch.

Connect Rego Park Church is currently meeting as a small group every Sunday at 2 PM, but our official launch with full services won't be until Easter of 2023. With

John and Joy's help, we had a meeting with the owners of the center we are currently meeting in and they informed us that they have over 30 facilities in all 5 boroughs, with their ownership being in 8 of them. They are not a Christian organization, but are excited about our "positive influence" in the community. We're praying that this will possibly be a connection to reach into other neighborhoods as we seek to plant 5 churches in each of the 5 boroughs. Finding an affordable place to meet is always one of the hardest issues



in New York City. Please pray with us that God can use this relationship to build bridges into new communities.

In addition to planting churches in all the 5 boroughs of NYC, we've been working on expanding the vision of Connect NYC. Our desire is to provide resources and training for urban church planters here in NYC. It will be a place to train leaders, work with interns or short term missionaries, and build a team that will work within our mission of "Five in Five", 5 churches in each of the 5 boroughs. We are working on getting a board established that will help with vision and continue to hold us accountable financially. As God leads us and our vision grows, it's clear we cannot do this without a team of people serving alongside us. We are grateful for those who been called to serve with us, for those who've been called to financially support this mission, and especially for those who partner in prayer with us. Together we are making an eternal difference.

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A Mitzvah tank on the streets of Rego Park, Queens, used as a "mini-synagogue" or outreach center for the Jewish community.