

I saw a quote that said for the first time in history hindsight will actually be 2020 (year). Looking back on 2020 I think there are things we could have done better knowing what we know now. But the fact is we just didn't know. And it is in the times of the unknown that we just have to trust God completely because he knows it all! His purposes are good and his promises are sure.

So, looking back here are some of the awesome things God has done.

**Salvations:** We were able to see over 10 children and teens saved though our team members sharing the gospel. We were also able to baptize two of our team members in the pacific ocean.

**Life Impacts:** We were able to see over 50 people meaningfully impacted with the gospel through relationships formed with Branches Team members. We were able to get the gospel out and presented to hundreds through our outreaches and the use of social media.

Outreaches: Coffee Cart (pre-covid). Our coffee cart was wildly successful in getting the word out about our church and sharing the gospel. We gained several prospects though this and were able to engage in gospel conversations with many.

Thanksgiving: We were able to provide thanksgiving meals to needy families

and shared the love of Jesus. We were also able to put together thanksgiving baskets for our neighbors and co-workers. One of team members' co-workers was so moved he started to cry as he had felt so alone during the covid lockdowns.

 $\underline{\text{Christmas Art Contest:}} \ \, \text{Through this outreach we had over 400 visitors to our} \,$ 

website and were able to share about our almighty Creator God with many of them.

<u>Bible Studies:</u> We were able to see several families impacted. As well as two men who did not believe the gospel. One was a self professed atheist who confessed to us that he started to believe in God. Another man was a co-worker of a team member that I was able to lay out the gospel with. During our Thanksgiving meal together he professed that he had started to believe in God although I do not think he has experienced salvation yet. Please pray for John as we continue to reach out to him.

In case you missed it, here is my new number: 415-410-4889 and address: 2122 43rd Ave San Francisco, CA 94116

San Francisco is still extremely closed due to covid. No gatherings are allowed, and restaurants and many stores still remain closed. However, God is still moving. Please pray for us as we continue to press forward to try to reach all we can during this weird and crazy time. We have scheduled our grand opening for this Easter. Please begin to pray with us that the city is open by then, or that God will give us unique ideas on how to meet and reach people regardless of the status of the cities reopening.

Hindsight on 2020...looking back I can see how faithful God has been, and looking forward I can trust that he will continue to use our family for his glory in San Francisco.

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and support!!

Hope you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! -Jake Woodfin