

# Fishers of Men Year-End Review



The Year of  
**2024**

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## Thank You for Your Support in 2024!

While a New Year, with new beginnings and the feeling of a “clean slate” or a “clean start,” can be so attractive to the human soul, part of the blessing of a new year is the opportunity to look back and be thankful! As may be the case for many of you, as it was for us, life on January 1, 2025, looked very different than a mere year ago on January 1, 2024. However, we praise the Lord for the truth of His Word and His faithfulness to His own character, being fully convinced that, as Romans 8:28 says, “In all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose,” even when the “all things” are unexpected or painful. Such was our year...but such is our God!

## Refuge Ranch

Our God of comfort (2 Corinthians 1:3-4, 7:6) and hope (Romans 15:13) was truly present and working in each member of our family during 2024 through difficult times and challenges, creating depth of character and bringing deep



healing that was reflected in our faith, family relationships and friendships. While 10 of my kids (of the 26 that have called me “Mom”) live at home, our family is so much larger, with in-laws and grandchildren and more being added to the family every year! We might not be a quiet bunch. We might not look much like one another. We might not always get along or see eye to eye. But we are family...a family born in the heart of God and forged in the kiln of life.



## Evangelistic Medical Mission Caravans (EMMC)



On January 27, 2024, our volunteers carried out a one-day caravan providing 468 services through which 44 individuals prayed to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Then, on December 7, 2024, another one-day caravan was carried out providing 167 services with 24 individuals praying to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. These two caravans encompassed months of uncertainty and then grateful astonishment

as the ministry went through a significant, yet vital, leadership transition in which God’s sovereign hand was mercifully and clearly evident in bringing Kevin and Yueminis Gonzales from Bolivia to serve as the directors of this portion of Fishers of Men. The groundwork has certainly been laid for incredible harvests in 2025 to the glory of God.



## Looking Forward

As we look forward, I am so grateful that, in Christ, we don’t have to wait for a new year in order to experience a new beginning, for “His mercies are new every morning.” (Lamentations 3:23) Together, through faith-filled prayer, faithful and generous financial support and feet on the mission field, may God be glorified through Fishers of Men and the ministries of Refuge Ranch and the Evangelistic Medical Mission Caravans every single day!

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