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News from the Maita family serving the Lord in Puerto Rico

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Happy New Year!

BEFORE:



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Sharing His Word through the Internet

How are we sharing about Jesus?

We are sharing about Jesus through our online presence. Sandra Lopez found our church through the internet. She had belonged to a Lutheran church (WELS district) on the other side of the island and was looking to begin attending a Lutheran church again. After catechism classes, she was confirmed on December 24, 2021. Pray for her as she keeps growing in the faith.

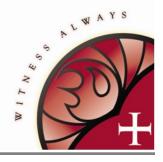


We had a blessed Advent and Christmas time. Members helped decorate the church. It was a wonderful time to fellowship and talk about Jesus' coming. For the first time we celebrated 3 days in a row: Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and the first Sunday of Christmas (the 26th).

Each part of the church sanctuary is a confession of our faith. In order to confess that Jesus is the light of the World and our home is in heaven - the church has new windows. The sanctuary is brighter!

AFTER:







Prayer Requests, Praises and Thanks

Prayers for our in person English students—that we can connect them to Christ!

Thanksgiving that Missionary Ashley Lehr does not need surgery to repair her bone. Prayers for continued healing.

Prayers for preparation of online English classes.

Thanksgiving for the confirmation of Sandra, and that others will join her—Angelica, Reyes, Maria, Emy, Jose and Sonia.

Thanksgiving for new and returning visitors to church activities.

A picture is worth a thousand words...



January 7th fellowship was held outside and included bible study, food and small craft.



Thank you for the bookmark craft sent by sisters in Christ in Norfolk, Virginia! Here is Sonia.



This is one of the our weekly English classes. The teacher is Missionary Christel Neuendorf who took the picture.



Bible study after Sunday worship, using our new Reformation Study bibles!

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Pastor Gustavo, Ruth , Mikhaela and Isaiah Maita

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