



Abiding  *Fathers*

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2022 Impact Report

Mission:

Encouraging, equipping and engaging men in developing their God-ordained leadership role as fathers in order to make disciples for the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Vision:

To make a lasting impact around the world in the lives of fathers and their children.

Purpose:

Biblically teaching men that God has given fathers the responsibility and authority to disciple their wife, children and future generations; and to know the consequences of accepting or rejecting this challenge.

***“And He will turn the hearts of fathers
to their children, and the hearts of children
to their fathers.”***

Malachi 4:6a (ESV)



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What a very special year for *Abiding* Fathers in so many ways! God continues to open new doors across the Dallas Metroplex, Latin America, and parts of Europe and Africa. In 2022, hundreds of facilitators and thousands of dads were disciplined! And God has graciously supplied the necessary human and financial resources for all of it:

- Facilitator training at several Dallas ministries: Men of Nehemiah, Union Gospel Mission, Bonton Farms, and a growing number of local churches.
- Vibrant community for fathers at Dad Talks and Fathers Forums across North Texas.
- *Abiding* Fathers' Dad's Toolbox book has been finished as a new and effective resource for men of different ages and backgrounds.
- Board Member Robyn Bush's soon-to-be published book for wives, Called Into the Fray, will help launch *Abiding* Fathers' Women's Heart Initiative, a ministry of encouragement for women whose husbands are in discipleship at *Abiding* Fathers.
- *Abiding* Fathers' English curriculum is being developed for online access with a Spanish translation to follow, making it accessible around the world.
- New opportunities have arisen for expansion into all U.S. prisons, as well as in India and Romania.
- Padre de Corazón has expanded in Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Peru, Madrid, Spain, and parts of Europe. Truly astonishing! And Padre de Corazón's Director, Rafy Gutierrez, is now on thirteen daily (Spanish) radio programs, along with the Lifeway Equipa platform, which reaches 22,000+ Latin subscribers.
- In Africa, *Abiding* Fathers has expanded from Rwanda to Ethiopia, Zambia, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania and Central African Republic. Multiple Christian denominations with millions of fathers have adopted our discipleship program for their churches. Translations are now available in Kinyarwanda, Swahili, Amharic, and coming soon – French!



ECUADOR



In Ecuador, we were able to train 150 pastors and church leaders across 6 different denominations in the city of Quito alone.



In addition, 175 pastors and church leaders were trained including indigenous Quichua evangelical churches. We held many conferences about fatherhood at different educational institutions.

MEXICO



In Mexico, we trained over 150 pastors and church leaders across many different denominations through the "Herramientas de Papá" conferences and workshops in Guadalajara and Mexico City.





In Cuba, despite many economic and social difficulties and the instability of the country due to power outages, lack of water and poor telecommunications; we were able to expand and strengthen the ministry and its impact on the Cuban people.



Small Groups in Action



In 2023, we are scheduled to be in:

- Mexico
- Madrid-Spain
- Honduras
- Peru
- Panama
- Colombia



AFRICA



In Africa, we expanded the ministry to new countries like Zambia, Kenya, Centre Africa Republic, and Ethiopia.



We also introduced Abiding Fathers to Rwanda's biggest denomination, the Pentecostal Church of Rwanda, ADEPR, and trained its leaders, who in turn will train others.



As a result of attending Abiding Fathers' small group meetings, many families of the Bugesera village have been restored, and many men have surrendered their lives to Jesus.



AFRICA



2 Men

2019

55 Men

2020

263 Men

2021

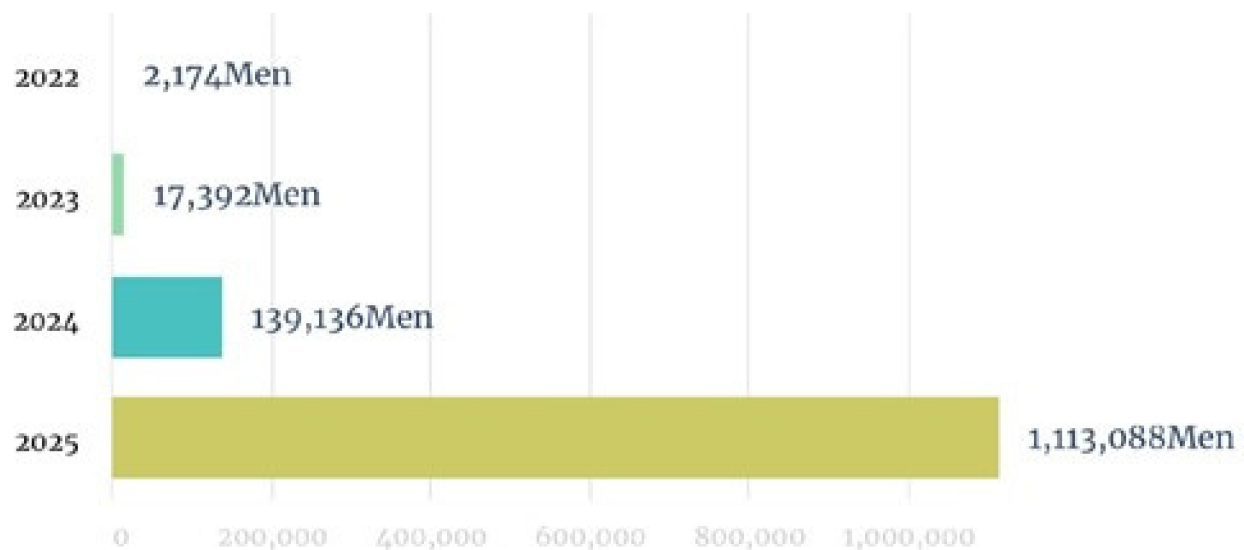
2000 Men

2022

**HAVE BEEN TRAINED INTO
DISCIPLESHIP**

The exponential growth of *Abiding Fathers* small groups in the Eastern province of Rwanda and the testimonies fathers share with us after the training is one of the most beautiful and telling achievements of all.

Total of Expected AF trained men by 2025 in Africa



The above numbers of men expected to be trained through AF program stand for the 5 African countries that we currently located from such as Rwanda, Tanzania, Zambia, Ethiopia and South Africa



2022 By The Numbers



3

monthly

intimate settings for 20 to 30 men across the DFW Metroplex to gather and hear a testimony by a father relating to family and fatherhood



150

men

from the homeless community disciplined through the Abiding Fathers curriculum at Union Gospel Mission



13

radio stations

in different countries broadcast daily programs in Spanish by Padre de Corazón's Director, Rafy Gutierrez



120

incarcerated men

disciplined at Hutchins State Jail (Dallas)

***2000+** in the last 5 years



12

prison units

who are in some way participating in equipping incarcerated fathers



22,000+

People

have been reached since the introduction of Padre de Corazón in Cuba, Ecuador and Mexico, including pastors, lay-leaders, fathers and family members with Herramientas de Papá (Dad's Toolbox) teachings



Spanish radio programs recorded

by Padre de Corazón's Director, Rafy Gutierrez and aired on a daily basis

150+

(Total of 500+ now recorded.)



Your Impact at Work!

A Worldwide Target



Long-Term Goal:

By 2030, to equip **5,000 facilitators** and disciple **10 million fathers**, both here and abroad -- primarily targeting young fathers (and would-be fathers), but also including older fathers and grandfathers.

Near-Term Goal:

To develop online training for facilitators plus online training for fathers. Online tools mean we can reach men anywhere in the world. We also want to establish radio programming in every area where our curriculum is taught.



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