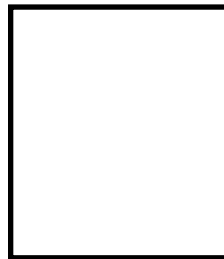




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*Thank You,
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We appreciate your friendship and partnership! Your generous prayers and financial support become the Lord's way of sowing His Word and bringing souls into the Kingdom. Thank you for your special gift to the Belize Festival of Hope.

- Will Jones



8 days 9 evangelists nationwide 10 AMI team members 198 missionaries 6 districts in Belize

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Our Team



Photo Top Left: Ramona, Adrian, Tatiana, Tawny, Natalie, Will
Bottom Left: Gabby, Jeremy, Abby, Jennifer

"I went expecting to change Belize, but to be honest, Belize and [the] people changed me," recounted Adrian. For six out of ten team members, this was their first international mission trip.

"This trip gave me life, and humbled my heart so much! Beautiful bonds of friendship formed; tears of compassion shed; and most importantly, the Gospel was not only shared, but the nation of Belize experienced God!"

- Ramona Jones

What's Next?

The churches are following-up with **every single person** who gave their information as they made a decision to follow Christ! Even on the buses and streets, the team captured names and phone numbers so the local teams can effectively connect with all 768 people and begin the discipleship process.

Ready for another festival?!! The team of pastors, leaders, and business people in Orange Walk Town are already casting vision. After seeing the impact on their town and over 10,000 reached, **the people want to take the message of Hope in Jesus to the villages!** There are 26 villages with 28,000 people surrounding Orange Walk Town and the team has begun prayerfully creating a strategy to impact their entire region.



TURNING ORANGE WALK UPSIDE DOWN



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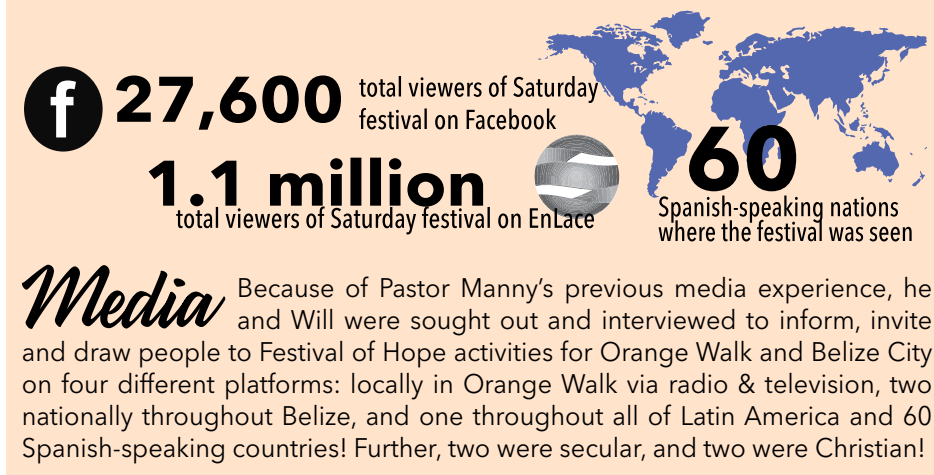


Prayer Rally

To start off the ministry week in Belize, the AMI team joined over 150 Orange Walk pastors and leaders for one last prayer rally before the Festival of Hope began. Over the last 16 months, we embraced prayer as the strategy and foundation of effectiveness for mass evangelism efforts in Belize!

“**Pastor Manny, our festival coordinator, and others are laborers for the Lord; HEROES who are fighting for the Lord!**”

WILL JONES



Youth groups from the community of Orange Walk and its surrounding villages were equipped and mobilized to bring unsaved friends to the youth party on Wednesday night. Kicking off our three-day festival, the Youth Party had over 2,000 in attendance! Will challenged those in attendance to seek and respond to God's purpose within their studies, trade school, marketplace, and family. Sixty-eight people committed their life to Christ and over 75% were youth from the community!



Nine hundred kids from all around the community poured into the children's festival on Tuesday. They were captivated by dancers, performers, uplifting music, dramas and clowns during the stage program as well as vendors, games, and giant bounce houses. On this day, over 400 children responded "YES" to Jesus!!!

Evangelism Bars. Streets. Public Transportation. Hospitals. Schools. Businesses. Wherever people were, the team coordinated intentional evangelistic outreach! Thirty-one of the 500 individuals our team encountered made a decision to make Jesus their Lord and Savior changing their eternal destiny! One man that team members, Jennifer and Jeremy, encountered was Jair:

"After building trust with us, he shared that his wife left him and he'd been drunk for 10 days straight trying to forget about all his problems. We met him as he sat on the park bench contemplating whether life is worth living! He's been running out of reasons to have hope, until this divine encounter with Jesus who wants to be his friend! He was familiar with the story of Jesus, but asked, 'Does Jesus want to be my friend even if I'm drinking?' We enthusiastically affirmed him with a 'YES!!'"

- Jennifer Jones



Festivals

"The time for Belize has come!" said Will, preaching at the Friday, July 21st festival. "You are God's masterpiece. You are a person of purpose. God is the purpose giver!"

Speaking from Ephesians 2:10, he encouraged all in attendance to call on the name of Jesus and seek the purpose giver if they are feeling lost, longing for purpose and direction. Not only were individuals reignited with purpose, churches united under one banner, the name of Jesus, to carry out the Festival of Hope! Pastors who were once isolated, angry, or bitter, diligently worked and sought the Lord together for this event.

"There's significant number of more people in the Kingdom and less in hell" because of this event, said Pastor Manny. Over both family festival nights 4,500 people gathered bringing 320 salvations and 22 recorded healings into the family of God.



Pastors & Leaders Conference

To accommodate the rapidly growing crowd, we quickly added rows of seats for the more than 350 believers who came hungry and expecting a powerful message! The night began suddenly with a torrential downpour, while the worship team sang the song "Deja llover" (Let it Rain)! What an incredible blessing from God! Later, as pastors and leaders fervently took notes, Will passionately shared his heart on "Leading Yourself Before Others." After discussing principles of church systems and ways to "Get Unstuck," Will concluded the night specifically addressing pastors who were hurting, isolated, discouraged and ready to 'throw in the towel.' Nearly 80% of the crowd responded immediately to the altar call and time for prayer. The AMI Belize team had the privilege of praying with and for them as they cried out to God for renewal and strength!

I was greatly impacted tonight by the word Will spoke. Something specifically stuck with me when he said, "Know your weaknesses. Receive feedback and have accountability. Use what you have and stop looking."

- Tawny Tuller



Business Conference

"We can't think we can GIVE more when we GET more - We have to be faithful NOW!"

- AMI team member Jeremy Jacobs, president of Fitness-Plus in St Louis, Missouri, keynote speaker



One young local businessman, Javier, grew up as a pastor's kid, but his father had a moral failure. This caused him to walk away from the Lord a few years ago. He hit rock bottom, lost his wife and family, and tried to commit suicide taking two bottles of pills. During that second attempt, the Lord spoke to Him about his love for him and life's purpose. He radically gave his life back to God and is serving him faithfully. He feels called to reach the youth of Orange Walk through fitness. He'd been saving funds to buy his rst gym equipment and sowed all of those funds into the Festival, trusting that God to guide and lead the business!



As the first-ever Christian business meeting of its kind in Orange Walk Town, 55 businessmen and women sold out the venue! Those in attendance were challenged on sacrificial giving and Biblical stewardship. The group was challenged to sow into their community's growth and development spiritually through the Festival of Hope's giving campaign. Collectively, they rallied to exceed the financial goal set before them!