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Bringing God's Word & reproducing Christian fellowship to the Deaf

GOD IS USING A small Deaf church IN RALEIGH!

Not limited to North Carolina, God is opening doors to reach the Deaf throughout the U.S. and around the world! Our heart's desire is to see every Deaf person transformed by knowing, following, & serving God.

"In that day, the Deaf shall hear the words of the book..." (Isaiah 29:18)

Deaf people 'hear' with their eyes! According to our statistics, both online and in-person combined, as of January 2024, Deaf Community Fellowship (DCF) has reached every continent through the 10,000+ Deaf who follow us on Facebook Live. They are able to see God's Word, learn, and apply it to their lives. The livestream allows the Deaf to become engaged by making comments, asking

> questions, and getting answers to their questions in real time. They come back to our Facebook page during the week and watch again. This shows that there is a hunger for His Word. As a result, this exposure to DOOR's Bible Translation has raised awareness and some are now looking for a CBT fellowship to attend in their country.

Many people feel that world missions does not include the United States. On the contrary, the American Deaf community is one of the largest unreached, unengaged people groups in the U.S. with less than 2% claiming the name of Jesus and less than 1% of those who are growing to spiritual maturity.

We are earnestly seeking a Deaf man (or couple) to come to Raleigh and pastor alongside our current pastor at DCF.



- Myth: In the United States, there is a church on every corner so there are plenty of opportunities for the Deaf to learn God's Word.
- **Truth**: In the United States, Deaf people have limited access to God's Word.
- **Truth**: There are few churches with Deaf ministries and these are becoming fewer.
- Truth: Deaf churches are closing.
- **Truth**: The Deaf need to see God's Word in their heart language.
- The Answer: DOOR has developed a Bible translation in their heart language and DOOR's 2-by-2 teams are bringing it to the Deaf in the US, training Deaf leaders to reproduce believers' fellowships.

"Now all glory to God, who is able, through His mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think."

Ephesians 3:20

DOOR 2-by-2 training IN RALEIGH

DOOR's 2-by-2 Director, Manuel, visited us in October to provide advanced training. We have received some training in the past, but this 2 ½ day session introduced new material and tools developed by DOOR to enhance our outreach to the Deaf community. The invaluable additions not only enriched our knowledge but also provided practical tools that will significantly contribute to the growth of the 2-by-2 ministry.

The training has given our team a clearer understanding and an expanded vision, fortifying our commitment to reaching the Deaf with renewed enthusiasm and purpose.





FROM A thankful heart

I want to express my deepest gratitude for the blessings of your partnership throughout this past year. Many of you have been on this journey with me from the beginning. Thank you for your faithful prayers and sacrificial giving to help me reach the Deaf with the gospel, both locally and around the world.

It is a tough time for many people due to job loss and the economy, and my support has decreased in the past few months. I am looking for new supporters, or perhaps God is prompting you to increase your giving. Please be in prayer so I can meet my financial support needs. God is faithful and I believe He will provide.

My thoughts and prayers will be with you as you enter 2024. May God guide each of you and may you seek Him in all that you do.

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