

Dear Friends,

I am always motivated by stories of God's power at work in people's lives, they remind me that our faith is as real today as it was in Biblical times. Pedro is one of these stories. He put the rope around his neck, tied it to a high beam in his house and climbed on the stairway rail ready to jump off. Pedro's struggles were the ones that are leading many other teenagers to chose the same path: anxiety, depression, and a break-up with his girlfriend. **Right before he jumped with the rope around his neck, God intervened!** The Lord showed him images of his little brothers watching him; He also told him that there was a great future awaiting him. After spending some time recovering, his mom told him that he could not stay with them anymore and that he had to go live with his father in Southern California- a father with whom he had never been close emotionally or physically.

We met Pedro on April 7th while ministering at Grace church in Desert Hot Springs. He was singing in the choir next to his father, Francisco. I had met Francisco during my first visit to Grace in the fall of 2017. He was starting to attend and was considering the Gospel claims. **Francisco and Pedro are now believers and serve God together in this Bi-cultural and Bilingual church** that God is using in amazing ways in that area of California. After the services Pedro told me: "I had not grown up with my father and always heard bad things about him. I now see that he is a great man and he has become my best friend!" Wow!! Pedro's life is radically changed; he is about to finish high school and is making preparations for college.



That is the message of Easter. **Francisco reconciled with his Heavenly Father and He brought him his earthly son.** Our Heavenly Father sent His son so that we can be reconciled to Him! God continues using His church and His people to this end.

Thank you for praying for us and supporting our work.

In Him, *Manuel & Sandra*