

The following material was presented in October 2019 in a church conference and was prepared by our then Missions Pastor, Tommy Fountain.

This information is given to provide historical context for the consideration of supplying funds for a church building in 2022.



Iglesia Bautista de Refugio

TACANA, GUATEMALA

MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Nancy Bruce

Michael Campbell

Richard Gray

Karen Clark

Mitchell Adolphson

Doug Owen

Sandi Franklin

Mayre Favalaro

Jordan Crumbley

Michael Frye

Brent Dykes

Harriette Myers

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ed Schimmel

Mary Deaton

Sherrie Campbell

June Martin

Tom Parkman (Treasurer)

Janet Mason (ex-officio)

Bud Kinney

Stephanie Bowman

Charlotte Tolbert

Royce Vaughn

Garry Eudy and E3 Volunteers

- ▶ IMB Church Planters in Panama from 1978-1987
- ▶ IMB Associate Area Director of Middle American 1987-1996 (lived in Guatemala)
- ▶ Pastor in the US from 1996-2011...retired from Central Baptist, Douglasville
- ▶ Founded E3 Volunteers in 2011



Garry Eudy and E3 Volunteers

- ▶ Oversaw 55 teams in Guatemala last year
- ▶ Partners with Tennessee Baptist Convention, as well as churches in Alabama and Georgia, including FBC Hendersonville, TN (3500 in attendance) and FBC Villa Rica (1500 in attendance)
- ▶ Handled over \$1,000,000 already the first half of this year

Garry Eudy and E3 Volunteers

“E3 Volunteers is doing great things in Guatemala! Our church partners with E3V because through their efforts to spread the Gospel, many lives are being transformed. In Guatemala, many are being saved and discipled; and in the USA, the impact on the volunteers who go is immeasurable. I thank God for the impact E3V is making for the kingdom.” Dr. Kevin Williams, IMB Board of Trustees Member, Sr. Pastor, FBC Villa Rica, GA

Garry Eudy and E3 Volunteers

“The Tennessee Baptist Mission Board utilizes E3 Volunteers as our coordinating partner in our efforts to assist the Baptist Convention of Guatemala in accomplishing their mission to evangelize, disciple, and equip Guatemalans to win their country for Christ. Our work would be severely hindered without the assistance of E3 Volunteers. Tennessee Baptists are thankful for this valuable ministry partner.” Steve Holt, Church Services Director, Tennessee Baptist Mission Board

HOW WE GOT HERE...

- ▶ 2016 Conversations with Missions Committee and Deacon Leadership, including Mike Mauldin and Ryan Adolphson about “targeting” a Central American people group
- ▶ 2016-2017 Established relationship with Guatemalans in Indiantown, FL and went on a church wide Mission Trip to Indiantown, FL in summer of 2017. Began establishing relationship with potential partners on the ground in Guatemala.

HOW WE GOT HERE...

- ▶ 2017-2018 Continued partnership with Indiantown FL and took site visits to Guatemala to meet with missionary Paul Hardison and meet Alvaro Lopez, the director of the Mam Baptist Association in the Mam Triangle region of Guatemala. Daniel Crumbley, Ryan Adolphson, Tommy Fountain, and Dr. Mills all spent time in Guatemala. We discovered a large % of Indiantown was from this area of San Marcos, and specifically Tacana. Dr. Mills and Pastor Rodolfo visited Tacana. We also met with Baptist Convention of Guatemala and Guatemalan Baptist Seminary leadership.

HOW WE GOT HERE...

- ▶ Summer 2018 “Training” Mission Trip to Guatemala working with indigenous people around Antigua. Sent a small group to the mountains to hold a Pastor Training with Mam Pastors.



HOW WE GOT HERE...

- ▶ Fall 2018-Winter 2018/2019 Paul Hardison came back home to the US and we connected with Garry Eudy and E3 Volunteers. Garry came and met with Missions Committee and Staff. Mallory Fountain, Nancy Bruce, David Mills, and Tommy Fountain visited Indiantown for a planning and scouting trip and met with 25 members of the church in Indiantown that are from Tacana and have family and friends there. Planning and establishing a site visit to Tacana with E3 Volunteers.

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- ▶ November 2018 and January 2019 Dr. Mills presented the vision from the pulpit for Tacana, including a large mission trip in May of 2021 to establish a church that would eventually send international missionaries.

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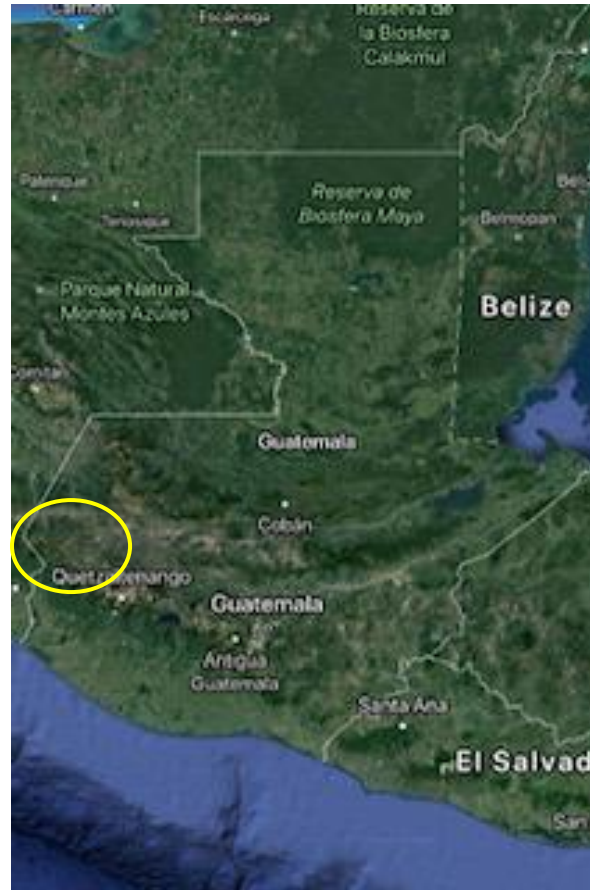
- ▶ April 2019 Dr. Mills, Pastor Rodolfo, and Tommy Fountain went to Tacana and met with City Leaders, Pastors, Church Planters, E3 Volunteer Coordinator, School Leaders, Health Officials, and family and friends of our partnering church in Indiantown, FL.



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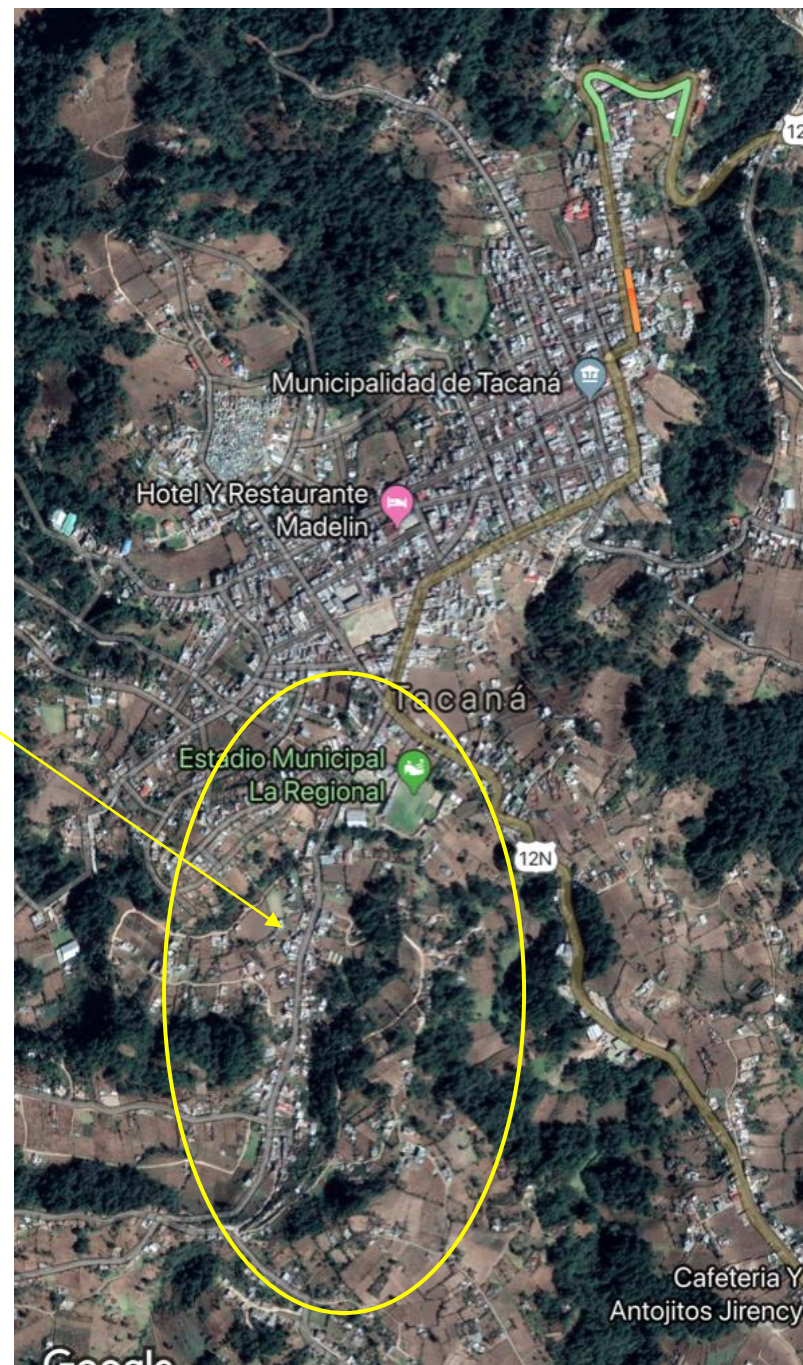
- ▶ May 2019 – Now Strategy put into place with Missions Committee affirmation to take steps moving forward in Tacana. Strategy was placed in the monthly Beech Haven Newsletter. Recently, land became available directly in the location we are targeting. Increase in communication, as we received more details. Missions Committee requested funding from Stewardship and agreed to pay 10% of cost. Stewardship voted to request remaining funding from the church. We sent out a FAQ and timeline for this strategy this past week.

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La
Democracia



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Marco
Tulio's
House
(Rodolfo's
family)

Land



Middle
School

Primary
School
(where
we are
replacing
the roof)

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- ▶ COST OF LAND - \$62,000
- ▶ Missions Committee is covering 10% = \$6200
- ▶ Stewardship Committee is requesting, on behalf of Missions Committee, for the church to pay the other \$56,000
- ▶ Guatemalan Baptist Convention will own the land
- ▶ All money will run through E3 Volunteers

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- ▶ Primera Iglesia Bautista de Indiantown will also be helping to pay for a small portion of the land, in the same way that they are paying \$1500 towards the roof construction on the Primary School in November
- ▶ 300 meters from the Primary School in La Democracia
- ▶ 7200 square feet...big enough for at least a 6,000 square foot footprint (they build up, so we could get 18,000 square feet in a 3 story building)...just one story would be comfortably large enough for a church of 200-300 people.

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- ▶ Future construction will cost approximately \$140,000
- ▶ Indiantown has also stated that they will give some towards this cost down the road
- ▶ Juan Carrillo (the Pastor of our partnering Guatemalan church in Tejutla and a strategic church planter in the Guatemalan Baptist Convention) has stated that his church will cover utility hookups, etc. when the time comes.

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- ▶ Marco Tulio, a man from Indiantown, has just moved back to Tacana and is organizing a core group
- ▶ Juan Carrillo is traveling back and forth, having baptized one young man recently, who came to Christ through the ministry of our partner church in Indiantown, FL
- ▶ Pastor Rodolfo's father-in-law in Tacana was led to the Lord by Alavaro Lopez, the pastor of Estrella Blanca and president of the Mam Baptist Association
- ▶ On our trip in December, there will be conversations with Juan Carrillo about identifying the "Church Planter/Pastor"

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QUESTIONS?