

An 11-Year Friendship

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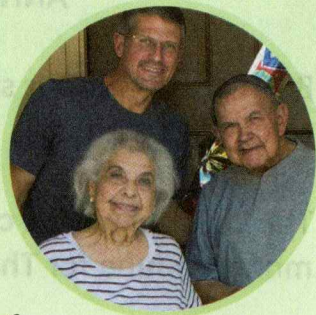
In July 2012, God called my wife and me to Cypress, Texas, to pastor Grace Life Baptist Church. We only had 11 members, so I started going door to door, inviting people to our revitalization. My very first week, I knocked on the door of a retired pastor and his wife who were looking for their new church home.

That initial knock at the door began an 11-year friendship that continues to this day. Oscar and Terri became our biggest supporters, cheerleaders and prayer warriors. Over our many conversations, I learned of a ministry that Oscar and Terri had come to support and also receive support from Mission:Dignity. On more than one occasion, Oscar would say, "I received an unexpected check this month, or more was given to us through Mission:Dignity."

"Isn't God good to us!"

Even though Oscar and Terri were retired, they never retired from prayerful support. If you had to point to one tangible reason as to why I'm still a pastor, other than my dear wife, it's because of the support of Oscar and Terri. He regularly called me his pastor, and I would gently correct him and say, "No, you are my pastor." Because of the tangible support that my dearest mentors receive every month, my wife and I are monthly supporters of Mission:Dignity.

Because of Oscar and Terri's influence, Grace Life Baptist Church became a Southern Baptist church in 2018. In 2023, I presided over the homegoing of Oscar, my dearest mentor, but continue to make visits to Terri. I thank God for the ministry of Mission:Dignity!



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Philippians 1:3 (CSB)

Terri Gonzalez Mission:Dignity® recipient since 1996



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Invocation and welcome

Hymn No. 407 "Because He Lives"

Hymn No. 413 "Faith is the Victory"

Missionary Prayer Calendar Louise Brucato

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn No. 335 "Standing on the Promises"

Doxology

Scripture 1 Samuel 17:32-49

Message Rev. Mike Dickey

"The Battle Is the Lord's"

Hymn No. 321 "The Savior is Waiting"

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be in prayer for our sick and shut-ins as they are unable to be here with us.

The children will be collecting hats & sunglasses for the month of June for The Shoe Box Ministry.

The packing of backpacks for West Virginia is on August 12th at 8am at the PBA. For more information contact Elinor Antis at 804-931-8939

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PRE-READ FOR NEXT WEEK: 2 Samuel 1:17-27