

# The

# Roper family



## Missionaries to the U.S. Military Worldwide

“So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void.” Isa 55:10

The last quarter of 2025 was full of the Lord’s blessings, souls saved, baptized, a new member, decisions for Christ and then we were able to worship the coming of the only begotten Son of God, the Savior of the World! What a year of ministry that Lord has used for His honor and glory. As we closed last year and endeavor to do more for Christ in 2026, I understand it takes each one reaching one. This update is a bit different, highlighting one family’s effort impacting another’s for eternity’s sake.

The strength of our ministry outreach and its fruit is largely dependent on the faithfulness of our people reaching forth and witnessing in their area of influence. This, by far, has the greatest potential and the Lord has given the increase in reaching lost souls in our military community. Such has been the case with the Ruiz family. One of our faithful families has a burden for the many children in the military housing base they live on. They have been committed to bringing children to church. One of those children is Vinny. This family faithfully brought Vinny to church every Sunday for nearly a year and, one of those Sunday’s, Vinny put his trust in Jesus as his Savior. It was a very tearful and exciting day. We highlighted him in one of our previous letters.

Vinny comes from a single-parent home. His mother, Daisy, is active duty serving in the Navy and he has a teen sister, Dahlia. After Vinny’s salvation, his mom and sister begin to attend select fellowships, like game night, we had them over our house for gatherings, but they had not attended a service. As we were preparing for our Christmas Eve, “Christmas story, Cookies, and Carols” service, Erika had the ladies over the house to make what seemed dozens upon dozens of cookies. She invited Vinny and his family to this ministry. That day, after my wife gave her devotion, Dahlia begin to ask questions which led to an opportunity for another of our faithful ladies to share the Gospel. That day, Dahlia trusted Christ as Savior in our home! The first service they attended as a family was the Christmas Eve service. They have been to almost every service and every single church event since. We are seeing the Lord transform this precious family’s life and it began with one faithful and loving servant who was willing to invest in one little boy. “I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.” 1 Corinthians 3:6

We ask you to pray with us for Daisy, this single Sailor with two kids. First, for her salvation. But also, for these two children, for their baptisms. I am praying for this military family to be baptized together. Of course that means Daisy trust Christ as Savior. The Lord’s Word will not return void, but we have the responsibility to share it, preach it, and but also to live it.

Thank you for investments, through your prayers, financial support and we thank you all for the Christmas gifts, offerings, cards, emails, and encouragement.

All to Him we owe - Jeremiah, Erika, Valerie, Sophia, Joshua, and Hannah

Oct - Dec 2025

### Praising the Lord for:

- God’s increase, the salvations of: Artee, Cristian, and Dahlia.
- Baptisms: Mrs. Catalina and Cristhian.
- Our newest member Joseph.
- Great close to our Missions Month. An increase in missions giving.

### Prayer Requests:

- For our military: protection, souls saved, wisdom for leadership at all levels.
- For laborers to answer the call and come to the field.
- Continued discipleship and training.
- For the Lord’s continued blessing and protection on CBC!
- Valerie, our oldest daughter, for the Lord’s will in a Bible College selection.
- Living Permit Renewal, all paperwork has been submitted. Please pray for a two-year permit.
- Upcoming short furlough for Valerie’s graduation and college prep.
- Daisy’s Salvation

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Dr. Drake closing out our Missions Month



Ms. Artée Saved



Cristian Saved



Veterans Day Sunday



Harvest Fellowship Night



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Thanksgiving Fellowship



Our newest member



Mrs. Catalina Baptized



Bro. Cristian baptized



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - Bro Anspach reading the Christmas Story