



Biblical Institute of Central America

A Two-Year Bible School - to prepare evangelists and church leaders

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Dearest Brethren,

God bless you in the name of Jesus! Soon we shall leave the troubles of this world to be at peace with Jesus. While we wait, our compassion for the lost keeps us joined to the purpose of Jesus—the Gospel for all.

Last month, my trip to Honduras and Nicaragua was delayed twice by hospital visits. My heart was out of rhythm (A-fib). One hospital stay was for five days. My medication still is not right. I am having nervous, shaky feelings, plus only get about four hours of sleep each night. Pray for me. Also, please pray for my family.

Finally, I made my way to Honduras where I replaced William Racancoj with Arnoldo Lux as director. Brother Lux is a graduate of BICA from Guatemala. His wife, Carmen, also graduated from BICA. They have two fine children.

In Honduras, the vehicles were in bad shape, especially the mini-van. It needed a complete overhaul of the diesel engine. That is costing around \$5,000. Our finances were also depleted. I wrote a check for \$5,000 more than the monthly budget. Please help us with this.

The students are doing well, and they are strong in their vision to teach the lost. May God bless their young, strong souls.

In Nicaragua, the students will have to move to a new location after being in a big, rented house for four months. The house was sold. The students are in good form, having their priorities in line. Erick's father, Luis, has been weakened by health problems.

Director, Erick Garcia, and I chatted about the starting of house churches. After two years and five months of this work in Nicaragua, the school has established twenty-seven churches. When questioned about the average number in each group, Erick indicated that about 40-50 members, plus 50 children, would be part of each group. That's 90-100 people—total 2400-2700! When I said that number would be too large for the average home, he explained that they would multiply into other homes. So, when we go into a town to establish the church, that church may be meeting in 2 or 3 houses as a practical matter. This has proven to be an effective, biblical, low cost method to reach thousands.

When I asked him what percentage of the converts that are remaining faithful, Erick said at least 90% are faithful. We know we will lose some. The Bible teaches this in many areas, the different kinds of soil, etc. When the students graduate, they are skilled in establishing and maintaining churches.

Consider going on an evangelistic campaign with the students in Piriamba, Nicaragua. This is located about five miles from Jinotepe. The school location is on the Pan American Highway. The campaign is from June 13 through June 19. Travel days are June 11 or 12, returning June 19 or 20. Call for more information: 281-252-4444. Also, we need some laptop computers for the students. Please contact Ron Ratley if you have a new or used one to donate. We can take them down there in June. Ron's number is 254-760-4452.

If you go to our website, www.bica.info, you now can donate to BICA by credit card. Simply go to "Donate to BICA" in the left column at the bottom. Also, the address information for regular donations by checks is given. Thanks!

Pray, pray, pray always for us.

In Christ,

George W. Hall

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