

Biblical Institute of Central America

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

From the Caribbean . .

June 2009

Dearest Friends and Brethren,

I write to you because of the influence of Jesus in our lives. He rules our lives; thus we are partners in taking the Good News to all. Our purpose collectively is to be obedient servants in taking salvation to the lost. Always pray to that end.

Lately many of you have encouraged me because you have expressed much confidence and understanding in the work, especially those who have visited Central America and those who have been long-time supporters. Thank you for your satisfaction with our /God's methods. Make no mistake—faith still comes by hearing the Word—not fancy programs.

Do you believe in the power of the pyramid? No, not some New Age theory. It's the age of the early church practice. There is power in the pyramid! We practice 2-2-2, that is II Tim. 2:2, where we teach others to teach others to teach others, etc. This brings about the multiplying of the disciples.

Sometimes folks say to me, "I know that you baptize many people, but how many remain faithful?" That is an excellent question. To accomplish an important part of maturing the babes, we employ several concepts/activities. We could baptize more on campaigns than we do, but we choose to study every day with the new brothers while we are on the campaign. This time could be used to study with more lost people, but we know how important it is to nourish the babes. Before campaigns, we meet with the leaders of the church where the campaign is to take place. We share ideas with them of follow-up of the new saints, and we leave them with God's expectation for church leaders. Several other methods are employed. For example, in Nicaragua, 17 different churches agreed to each take a week to help with follow-up from one campaign. Other things are also done.

Results are for the month of May from Guatemala. In a very difficult place, La Union, we had 9 baptisms, 2 restorations, and 96 good contacts. In 20 churches in weekend work, 31 were baptized, 14 restored with 356 contacts. Perhaps more important, 14 are training to teach others. BICA helped to start a new church in San Vicente Pacaya, a town of 10,000. The first worship service was May 31.

The Institute in Honduras has only 14 students, but look at these results. Hold on to your hat. Here we go! In the Choluteca campaign: 37 baptisms, 29 restorations; in the Tegucigalpa campaign: 46 baptisms, 32 restorations. The weekend works: 13 baptisms 37 restorations. New house church in Barrio Suyapa, El Progreso—10 persons in attendance. In Yoro, Yoro, a house church of 26 people. Praise God, and praise God some more!

Some people say it must be tough working in the missions field. The opposite is true. When I see the fruit, it satisfies the soul. When I see mostly young people so spiritual, so dedicated, so focused, so passionate, so prepared, so faithful, it is prettier than anything I have ever seen or experienced. Don't cry for me, cry for yourselves. I only wish that you all could have this experience.

In the last few months our expenditures in Honduras and Guatemala have been about \$3000 more than our income. In Nicaragua expenses have been about \$1800 more than income. Please think to increase some. Missions must be first, not last.

At the time of this writing, the monthly report from Nicaragua is not available. Wait until the next newsletter, please.

Laura Huff, who puts out the monthly report will be working in a Christian camp, etc. the first two weeks of July and will not be back home until later in the month. Expect the July report to be later than usual.

My heart is always touched when people tell me that they pray regularly for us. Thank you! Please keep the prayers going.

In Christ,

George W. Hall

... to the Pacific shores of Central America



BIBLICAL INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL AMERICA - Guatemala
FINANCIAL REPORT CORRESPONDING TO April 1st THROUGH 30th, 2009

<u>EXPENSES</u>	US\$	Conv.	Q
1 Rent for 16 houses	\$1,522.84	7.88	12,000.00
2 Economical support for 14 married students	\$3,020.30	7.88	23,800.00
3 Vehicles	\$809.64	7.88	6,380.00
4 Photocopies, class materials	\$368.02	7.88	2,900.00
5 Expenses in Teachers	\$506.35	7.88	3,990.00
6 Food	\$3,159.90	7.88	24,900.00
7 Cleaning products	\$162.44	7.88	1,280.00
8 Travel expenses for evangelistic weekends	\$583.76	7.88	4,600.00
9 Laundry	\$145.94	7.88	1,150.00
10 Salary for the cook	\$222.08	7.88	1,750.00
11 Miscellaneous	\$368.02	7.88	2,900.00
12 Lico's salary	\$726.90	7.88	5,728.00
13 Utilities	\$524.49	7.88	4,133.00
14 Equipment for School	\$241.12	7.88	1,900.00
15 Medical Expenses	\$225.89	7.88	1,780.00
16 Students allowance (25 single)	\$501.27	7.88	3,950.00
17 Parking for buses of the Institute	\$82.49	7.88	650.00
17 Evangelistic campaign, Monte Llano (24 baptisms)	\$761.42	7.88	6,000.00
18 Help for graduated students	\$203.05	7.88	1,600.00
19 New church in San Felipe - Nat'l lectureship 25 bap	\$888.32	7.88	7,000.00
20 Salary for Jose Batres	\$190.36	7.88	1,500.00
21 Expenses for 3 churches in Eastern Guatemala	<u>\$697.97</u>	7.88	<u>5,500.00</u>

Total Expenses	\$15,912.56	7.88	125,391.00
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ACCOUNT

1 Ending Balance by the end of March, 2009	\$3,763.83	7.88	29,659.00
2 Deposit \$15,500 x Q7.85	\$15,500.00	7.88	122,140.00
3 New Balance	\$19,263.83	7.88	151,799.00
4 Less Expenses	<u>\$15,912.56</u>	7.88	<u>125,391.00</u>
5 Ending Balance by the end of April, 2009	\$3,351.27	7.88	26,408.00



More photos from the April 2009
 Nicaragua campaign. Thanks to David Palk and Ron Ratley who
 contributed photos for the newsletter.