



Biblical Institute of Central America

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

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My Visionary Friends,

Glory in the fruit of the Spirit! Allow love, joy, peace, etc., to reign. It is wonderful that we no longer live by the works of the flesh. Thanks to Jesus for our deliverance.

Easter week is called Holy Week in Central America. The countries pretty much shut down, and the people head for the beaches. The brethren in Guatemala take this opportunity to have a national lectureship (conference) for edification and fellowship. It was estimated that nearly 5,000 attended. The brethren honored me by asking me to speak on two occasions. This was a campaign week for the students. Most of them worked the area around the conference location in Guatemala City. Twenty-three were baptized by the students, plus seven more that responded to Christ during the lectureship. Eight students were invited to spend the week in Peten, Guatemala, where they had their own lectureship. Around 300 attended in this jungle area. The students taught and baptized thirteen believers. Four more were added as a result of Gospel preaching in the lectureship. The week's results of just the students: 36 baptisms, 14 restorations. Total for March: Baptisms 57, restored 47. The most important number is 53. They, the 53, are being taught by the students on weekends to teach others. The same thing is happening in the two other institutes.

There are two excellent books by Roger Dickson, an extra-fine missionary in Africa, that he has made available free on our website: www.bica.info. Simply click on *Roger Dickson Books* in the left column.

Remember the June 7-13 campaign in Granada, Nicaragua. Travel on June 5 (Saturday), return on June 12 or 13, depending on your schedule. The cost is about \$1150. The value—priceless!

Think again about your Bible class, ladies' class, youth group, individuals, etc., having their own student/missionary. This personal hands-on approach will bless your soul. Keep in touch by email with your student. After graduation, as they are self-supported, you can follow them for years. Call me at: 325-388-0000. Claim your blessing! Be bold! Reject complacency!

What I am about to describe is amazing. It represents nearly three months of work by one of three BICA schools (all glory to God!) Many would be thrilled if their missions produce these results in 10 years. It is dedication. It is method! In Nicaragua, Director Erick Garcia, M.D., provides the following report: They had three week-long evangelistic campaigns, one week each in Boaco (this was to establish a new church), Matagalpa (also a church was established this week), and Fatima. Eighty were baptized and thirty-five restored. On our weekend works 40 were baptized and 18 restored. In Jinotepe (school location) on the Monday and Wednesday afternoon work, 15 baptisms and 3 restorations. Totals for 3 months, not including Erick's personal conversions, are 135 baptisms, 56 restorations, 2 churches established. Other works include: conducted a youth seminar for 600 young people in January; March 29th-April 3rd, Erick trained 100 leaders for one week (7 AM-11:30 PM), long days. Some lost were there—5 baptized and 3 restored. Erick conducted 9 conferences. He was on 4 campaigns (preached in 3): 2 baptisms and 12 restorations. He taught 3 seminars; he taught seven different conferences in seven churches about BICA concepts. The government required him to attend 15 meetings (education ministry, mayor's office, vocational center), attended 10 meetings with churches. Erick preaches in the north at Ciudad Dairo; they plan to reopen a church in this area at Sebaco. He trains leaders in the local church, Jinotepe, twice a week (6-9 PM). Erick preaches once a month at the Jinotepe church. He also has served as youth director for 3 months. Oh, by the way, he teaches the ladies every Friday night. Erick usually walks about 5 miles in the mornings and he is ready to meet the staff at 6:00 AM. Does he work too much? Yes!! I have not space to tell of the activities of the assistant director, Arnaldo Rojas. Please, please, please understand – all glory to God!!

We work hard. We need your backing. Support is a constant problem. Please help. Information on Honduras will be in the next month's newsletter.

My favorite way to honor those who pass to the next life is to promote something wonderful and lasting in their name and memory. Just think—when someone goes to heaven they will meet someone who was saved as a result of a graduate teaching them, who was supported by your memorial gift. Truly, it is the donation that keeps on giving, even in eternity. For Honduras and Guatemala: BICA, PO Box 788, Belton, TX 76513. For Nicaragua: BICA, PO Box 3868, Temple, TX, 76505. See: www.bica.info.

If you help us to equip evangelists, they will equip their culture to teach the lost and do benevolence among their own. We do not want the USA to do our work for us. Dependency cripples! Only help us to equip them to teach their people Christ's ways. Keep us in your prayers, please.

In Christ,

George W. Hall

FINANCIAL REPORT
Corresponding to March 1st to 31st 2010
BIBLICAL INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL AMERICA, Guatemala City

EXPENSES:

1. Rent of 17 houses		Q 13,500.00
2. Economical support for 15 marriage students		29,900.00
3. Vehicles		4,897.75
4. Photocopies, materials for classes		2,629.62
5. Expenses in Teachers		3,900.00
6. Food		29,915.66
7. Cleaning products		1,692.05
8. Travel Expenses for evangelistic weekends		5,195.00
9. Laundry		1,890.11
10. Salary for the Cook		1,850.00
11. Miscellaneous		2,991.28
12. 45 pair of shoes for the students (16.87 each)		5,959.33
13. Utilities		3,809.97
* Water	1,533.97	
* Electricity	1,976.00	
* Telephone	300.00	
14. Equipment for the School		2,697.92
15. Medical Expenses		2,001.42
16. Students allowance (31 single)		5,115.00
17. Parking for 2 buses of the Institute		650.00
18. Expenses in Lectureship Guatemala City (23 baptisms)		1,493.88
19. Expenses in Lectureship in Peten (13 baptisms)		2,961.91
20. Help for students graduated last year		1,900.00
21. Salary of Abel Gonzales		1,500.00
22. Help for 3 churches of the East of Guatemala		5,500.00
23. Salary of Faustino Qulizapa		2,500.00
24. Total Expenses		Q 134,450.90

ACCOUNT:

1. ENDING BALANCE BY THE END OF February/10	26,931.72
2. DEPOSIT \$16,800 X Q7.88	132,384.00
3. NEW BALANCE	159,315.72
4. LESS EXPENSES	134,450.90
5. ENDING BALANCES BY THE END OF March/ 10	24,864.82

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1.00 USD = 7.54 Q

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