



Biblical Institute of Central America

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

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Greetings in the name of the King of Kings. I returned on December 11 from the three graduations. Thanks to God, we graduated 33. This brings our total to 226 self-supported life-time missionaries. (Several wives graduated from different programs.) Below are their plans.

Guatemala:

1. Sefa Bartolon, 21 yrs. She will return to Ejido, Chiapas, Mexico. This evangelistic spiritual sister expresses deep gratitude to the USA brothers (as all do) for the school. Her life has been transformed 100%. She plans to buy coffee in the field and sell in the city. She plans to make 5 well-equipped disciples. When they are trained, 5 more, etc.
2. Juan Sicaj, 28 yrs., wife and two children, will return to Quiche (Chichi) to make fabric with his wife. Plans Mondays and Fridays to teach disciples to present the Good News; Wednesday—knock doors; Saturdays—teach youth 2 hours plus evangelism. He is an excellent song leader.
3. Mayra Tercero, 29 yrs. To Milpas Altas, Guatemala, support self by selling used clothes from the USA. This excellent evangelist plans to close early 3 days a week for 6-8 hours of teaching the lost; work with children; teach teachers; do seminars; create materials; make disciples to teach others—2 Timothy 2:2.
4. Lorenzo Velasquez, 17 yrs. Already a strong preacher and song leader. He returns home to Sacatepequez to finish high school and work part-time making clothes with his brother. He plans to work half time with the church. He will start a house church in his mother's house. As all the graduates do, he will make disciples to teach others. Youth work is also included.
5. Raul Hernandez, 43 yrs., wife and three children. Will work in Guatemala City as an industrial mechanic in his own metal shop. Prayed with wife, and they decided to start a cell group in their home. Goal is to baptize at least 2 per month and teach them to teach others. Raul has great vision, and he is very responsible.
6. Maria Tumax, 23 yrs. A teacher who plans to return to Suchitepequez to raise pigs. She plans to teach women and the youth to teach others about salvation. Maria is an excellent evangelist.
7. Julio Chavez, 32 yrs. Married with one child. They will live in Guatemala City (Zone 8), where he will return to his business of selling natural medicine. Julio is a good leader. He will work with one of our graduates for two years, then start another church. Without saying, all will make disciples.
8. Angie Rivas, 22 yrs. She will return to Tegucigalpa, Honduras, to go to college. She plans to practice what she has learned: #1 Reach the lost. Goal—Baptize 5 in 3 months, then disciple them. Teach/mature the women and youth. (Cell groups for women.)
9. Wilfredo Chin, 23 yrs. Married with 2 children. Will return to Suchitepequez to sell and repair bicycles (mornings only). Evangelism in the afternoons. In one year, teach 3 groups of 5 to present the Good News. Saturdays, work with youth.
10. Francisco Perez, 19 yrs. Excellent vision—He will support himself as a carpenter. Loves the lost. February and March—make disciples; April through June—Teach the church the Good News presentation; next 6 months, start a house church in another town where a brother lives.
11. Juan Garcia, 19yrs. Will return to Quiche to sell food in the market. Plans: 1) January—March, make 5 disciples. 2) April—June, care for converts (estimates 25 baptisms), then divide the 25 by 5; each 5 will have their own disciples; 3) July—September, help all the new members find their gift. In 9 months, 50 new members; 4) October—December, teach music and song leaders.
12. Celedonia Lopez, 27 yrs. A great blessing for the church. She plans to raise chickens to make a living as she returns to Chimaltenango. The first 3 months—100% evangelism; next 3 months, mature the new Christians; then teach the Good News presentation for 3 months to women and youth. Have 4 cell groups teaching others.
13. Jacob Alonzo, 18 yrs. Return to Quiche to live with parents to finish high school. As all the grads, he will teach the lost. He is a good evangelist who is very responsible.
14. Carlos Ruiz, 23 yrs. Returns to El Salvador where he will sell sea food. Carlos is a good preacher, leader, and evangelist; make disciples, help 3 other churches in the area. He says he will give his whole life for Jesus.

Honduras:

1. Manuel Herrera, 21 yrs. Wife and child, from Saba, Colon, Honduras, going to Olanchito, Yoro. The church had 9 members until the last week of November. BICA baptized 19 more. The goal is to have 50 members in one year. They will worship in houses. Women's classes will be started. BICA will send 2 weekend workers.
2. Elmer Santos, 31 yrs. Wife and 4 children. To work in Tegucigalpa (Lepaterique),. They need a preacher; BICA will help with a campaign. Wife will have seminars for women; other BICA graduates in the area will help. Goal—35-50 new members in 2011, establish a house church in 2011.
3. David Hernandez, 27 yrs. Wife and 1 child. From San Miguel, El Salvador, to work in Tegucigalpa, Honduras (Lepaterique), help from San Mateo church and BICA graduates. They have only 8 brothers in this church. They meet in a rented house. BICA to hold a campaign in 2011. David will make disciples and will start another house church.
4. Hector Zanabria, 29 yrs. Wife and 1 child. Going to Quebrada Seca in La Entrada de Copan. The church has 20 members, without a preacher. Goal for 2011 is 50 members. Start another house church. BICA will have a campaign in 2011. He and his wife will sell clothes to be self-supported.
5. Amilcar Ramirez, 21 yrs. Going to Nacaome; the church has 95 members and needs a preacher. Goal—35 more members in 2011. Go house to house to evangelize. Make 15 disciples, work with youth. He will support himself with computer services.

Nicaragua

1. Jader Sanchez, 23 yrs. Wife, 20 yrs. Will work in Diriamba church (45 members). Work 1/2 time with the church, work with team of 3 preachers. All make very well-prepared disciples. Projection of 100 conversions in 2011. Sister Sanchez will work with women, children, and Sunday school. Half time in computer design school and operate a photo shop.
2. David Mojica, 34 yrs., Wife, 22 yrs. To Managua's Jaguitas Church of Christ with 100 members. Start a home church. Work with young people and evangelism. Make 5 disciples, Goals for 2011—35 new members; will work with Jader Sanchez in pictures frames, design work, etc. Will also attend vocational school in computer design.
3. Luis Arcia, 18 yrs. Going to Managua's Fuente church (with 70 members). Luis will work with youth, evangelism, making disciples. Goal—50 baptisms in 2011, then multiply. He will attend vocational school in computer repair.
4. Roberto Surez, 18 yrs. To Santa Teresa to work with his father in an eighty member church. Make 5-10 excellent evangelists (disciples) in 2011. Roberto will study computer repair.
5. Reynaldo Garcia, 25 yrs. Wife, 19 yrs, and one child; To Masaya Church of Christ with 180 members. Also work on weekends in Santa Lucia (new house church). Brother Garcia will work half time as an electrician and half time with the church. The disciples will be taught passion for the lost. He baptized 12 in his 2 years at BICA.
6. David Ortiz, 19 yrs. Will work in Jinotepe Central; make many disciples. Goal—36 for 2011. Half time to study auto mechanics.
7. Zamir Pena, 21 yrs. To Santa Teresa (with cousin—Roberto Surez); Work with youth and evangelism; start another church; will attend construction school.
8. Juan Ortiz, 17 yrs. To Jinotepe Central church; evangelism, make disciples, work with youth; vocational school to be a carpenter.
9. Wider Zeledon, 18 yrs. To Ometepeque Island (22 members); Make 10 disciples the first year. Wider will study to be a carpenter.
10. Manuel Aviles, 28 yrs. To Nueva Jerulalem, 20 members. Goal—baptize 4-5 per month. Attend vocational school to be a carpenter.
11. Edwin Sanchez, 39 yrs. Wife, 33 yrs. and two children. To Masatepe (42 members) Goal—60 baptisms in 2011; will also study to be a carpenter.
12. Miguel Rivera, 20 yrs. To Jinotepe (Santa Rosa church) 50 members. Evangelisms and making excellent disciples, will result in rapid growth. Miguel will study English in school.
13. Elmer Garcia, 25 yrs. Wife 26 yrs. Plus two children; To San Marcos (Almendro church, 220 members); Reach the multitudes; make a living as a carpenter.
14. Walter Torres, 24 yrs. To Fatima, Leon, a church of 250 members. This is an evangelistic church that has started many other churches. He will fit in fine. Walter will make a living as a math professor.

I experienced many things while at the graduations. We had huge crowds. In Guatemala, 805; Honduras, 450; Nicaragua, 640; total 1,895 people showing love for our graduates. By far, the thing that touched my heart the most was the one-on-one interviews I have with the graduates. I looked into the eyes and soul as they shared their vision. It is impossible for me to convey their remarkable confidence, vision, faith, and determination. These hearts of service and dedication touch my heart in a profound way. The Bible teaches that where our treasure is, our heart is in the same place. If your heart is touched by the saving of the lost, please consider a year-end gift and place us in your plans for monthly gifts. Blessings will be returned in many-fold.

I plan to leave around January 1, 2011, to teach three weeks in the three countries. Pray for me and mine.

In Christ,

George W. Hall

PS As always, please share this newsletter with others. Laura Huff sends her thanks for the prayers offered for her recovery from her broken leg/dislocated ankle. She has a walking boot and is able to walk without crutches. She is planning to go to Ukraine in January as part of a mission team .

Honduras Institute: Left to right: Moises Campos, graduate from El Salvador, assistant director of Honduras BICA; George Hall; William Racancoj, from Guatemala, director of Honduras Institute



Nicaragua Institute: left to right: Arnaldo Rojas, from Nicaragua, assistant director; Dr Erick Garcia, director in Nicaragua; George Hall; Denis Campos, bookkeeper, compliance clerk/secretary

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... to the Pacific shores of Central America

