



## Biblical Institute of Central America

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

***New website coming soon!***

**March 2011**

Dear Loving Brothers,

I thank my God for you and for God's allowing us to work together to see thousands of people be saved. Humbly we say, glory to God. Jesus is introduced in Matthew as God with us to save his people from sin. As Jesus exits the world, he instructs the disciples to bring the good news of salvation to all. This is our passion. Pray for the work and for me personally—please!

Thank you for funding this work. Your money indicates where your heart is. February funds were down by a few thousand dollars. We have 110 students, directors, and assistant directors for three schools, cooks, laundry and cleaning personnel, and teachers' expenses. We have "zero" fat in our budget. We operate on a "shoe string" budget. Any little wrinkle in funding or expenses brings hardship. I appreciate your understanding and help. Please consider a "one-time" offering in addition to your regular funding. THANKS!

This story will touch your heart (From Roberto Alvarez):

Cefa Bartolon is a young woman of 23 years from Chiapas, Mexico. When she graduated from BICA, she returned to her church in Chiapas. "Now I am better prepared to save the lost of my village," she said when we had an interview two days before her graduation. Cefa returned to Mexico and immediately was talking about the good news to her relatives. Just two weeks later, her sister and brother-in-law were baptized! Cefa started a business of purchasing and selling coffee. She works in that every day from 5 AM until 11 AM. After that, she is so busy talking about Jesus to all the people that she can. The members of the church are amazed and glorifying God for her dedication to announce the Gospel. The leaders of the church encourage her to continue her dedication. Now, three months after her return to Chiapas, the small church where Cefa attends has baptisms every week! One of the leaders of the congregation—after watching Cefa's responsibility and dedication to evangelize the lost—wants to attend BICA next January ! Glory to God!

Guatemala reports for February: One campaign in Margaritas—31 baptisms, 9 restorations, 322 contacts. Weekend work: (Every Saturday our students leave at 5 AM to go by bus to their assignments.) 27 baptisms, 34 restored, 518 contacts. Pray for safety. The buses and streets are dangerous.

Allow me to share with you ten days in the lives of the 34 students in Nicaragua. They conducted a campaign in a remote area in the north of Nicaragua. They worked only four days because of travel time. In the four days, 77 were baptized. They returned to have a six-day campaign closer to the school. There, 24 were baptized and 10 restored. Total: 101 baptized, 10 restored = 111 saved in ten days.

Honduras reports 48 baptisms and 99 restorations from their weekend work with area churches. This is a result of 411 Bible studies.

Consider going with us to Nicaragua on June 11 (return June 19) for an evangelistic campaign. Call me if you are interested: 281-252-4444. I am scheduled to travel March 9-16 to Honduras and Nicaragua. Always pray. Thanks!

With the love of Christ,

*George W. Hall*

**NOTE: Our new BICA website is near completion and will go "live" very soon.**

***From the Caribbean . .***

***... to the Pacific shores of Central America***



## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Corresponding from FEBRUARY 1<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> 2011

## **BIBLICAL INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL AMERICA BICA**

### **Guatemala City**

#### **EXPENSES:**

1. Rent of 17 houses	Q	13,900.00
2. Economical support for 15 marriage students		31,975.00
3. Vehicles		3,580.97
4. Photocopies, materials for classes		2,110.44
5. Expenses in Teachers		2,741.10
6. Food		33,724.51
7. Cleaning products		1,404.19
8. Travel Expenses for evangelistic weekends		3,711.92
9. Laundry		1,640.29
10. Salary for the Cook		1,975.00
11. Miscellaneous		2,501.73
12. Overhaul for the engine of the diesel van of the institute		5,473.09
13. Utilities		3,732.91
* Water		1,593.62
* Electricity		1,839.29
* Telephone		300.00
14. Equipment for the School		1,026.82
15. Medical Expenses		2,203.97
16. Students allowance (32 single)		5,900.00
17. Parking for 2 buses of the Institute		650.00
18. Expenses in Evangelistic campaign in Margaritas, Guatemala City (31 baptisms)		4,374.18
19. Help for students graduated last year		1,000.00
20. Salary of Jose Salmeron		4,350.00
21. Help for 4 churches of the East of Guatemala		4,500.00
22. Salary of Luis Mendez		2,500.00
23. Total Expenses	Q	134,976.12

#### **ACCOUNT:**

1. ENDING BALANCE BY THE END OF JANUARY/11		19,215.97
2. DEPOSIT \$17,300 X Q7.82		135,286.00
3. NEW BALANCE		154,501.97
4. LESS EXPENSES		134,976.12
5. ENDING BALANCES BY THE END OF FEBRUARY/11		19,525.85

ROBERTO ALVAREZ

1.00 U.S. Dollar = 7.75 Guatemala Quetzals