



Biblical Institute of Central America

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

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... to the Pacific shores of Central America

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Dear Faithful Brethren,

Greetings in the Name of our Creator. We bow down to a merciful and loving God. Praise His precious Name!

Recently, I have been watching ads on TV by ASPCA. They represent a noble cause to prevent cruel treatment of animals. The soft music plays as a video of caged, very sad-looking dogs appears. A soothing voice tells us of the tormented history of the animals. They touch our hearts. Perhaps we shed a tear. **They ask for money** to reach their goal.

In 1974, I went to India for the purpose to help re-train preachers. Most of my summer was spent in Madras, a huge city, which is filled with starving children. In the early mornings, the “dead wagons” would pick up the dead bodies from the streets. One time I saw a “dead wagon” with a few bodies on it. One body was that of a young boy who was about six years old. Another boy, who was alive and was about seven or eight years old, was hugging the dead body. They were probably brothers. As I write this, tears run down my face. Other times, I would be walking in the busy streets, and kids would wrap their arms and legs around my legs (often two kids at a time.) They would say to me, “Please, master, please, master...” Once again, my tears flow. TV commercials picture starving children in desperate situations. It naturally touches our hearts. **They ask for money** to feed them and to provide clean water to drink. This is a noble cause.

There were many things that Jesus did,. Of course, they were all good. He states clearly His mission. Christ Jesus came to seek and save the lost. His heart was touched to the point of generating compassion for the distressed and scattered people. We share the pain in His heart as He looks with sad eyes upon Jerusalem, saying, “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem.” Jesus was and is a friend of publicans and sinners. Our troubled eyes focus upon the cross. The cross is worse than the terrible beheadings by ISIS. The cross brings forth tears of sadness and rejoicing. Our hearts are touched hundreds of times more for the horrible condition of mankind than for the condition of dogs. Where are the tears for the lost? If we look through the eyes, the tears will come. In Mark 16:15, the Gospel to all, save people. **We ask for money** to help save the lost.

If you or someone in the local church wants to learn how to save the lost, we have a way. I teach the first week of school in Guatemala January 5-9, Honduras January 12-16, and Nicaragua January 19-23. It will be “boot camp.” You will go to class about eight hours a day, with about four hours of homework daily. At the end of the week, you will be prepared to teach the lost. Interested? Contact me at gwhall43@gmail.com OR call 281-252-4444.

I will be gone from November 26 through December 14 for the three graduations.

The school in Honduras reports: Baptisms 124, Bible studies 949, Restored 37.

Nicaragua’s report had not been received as of publishing date.

Guatemala’s report is on page 2, along with a report of what past graduates have been doing.

To make your tax-deductible donations for Honduras and Guatemala, make checks payable to Biblical Institute of Central America and mail to P.O. Box 788, Belton, TX 76513. For tax-deductible donations for Nicaragua, send to Northside Church of Christ, 3401 North 3rd Street, Temple, TX 76501.

As always, please pray for us.

In Christ,
George Hall

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GUATEMALA CITY

REPORT OF RESULTS OF OCTOBER 2014:

Monthly evangelistic campaign: On October we had two important activities of evangelism: our evangelistic campaign and the National Youth Rally. 1. Our evangelistic campaign was in San Cristobal. San Cristobal is a small town of the west in the country. The church there is Mayan language. In some bible studies we needed translators from Spanish to Kakchiquel (the Mayan language of the region). The church there had 37 members. It was our first campaign with this congregation. Thanks God 7 souls were added to the church, and during the next 3 weeks that the brethren continued working with the contacts 4 more souls were added to this church. 2. The National Youth Rally is a national activity for youth Christians of the country of Guatemala. Every year is in different regions of the country. This year 2014 was in Guatemala City. Thanks God since more than 8 years the organizers are giving to BICA the responsibility of the evangelism in the activity. Also our students work hard for the successful of the activity, like cleaning bathrooms, helping with discipline program of the activity, helping with the sound system etc. Every year our students are the first in arrive to the place for prepare the facility and the last in return to home! But we are always focused in evangelism. For the glory of God 7 youth were baptized during the activity, and 5 more were baptized when they returned to their congregations. We can not do an account about the youth reconciled with God, because were many! Glory God!

TOTAL RESULTS: 23 BAPTISMS, 3 RESTORATIONS, 192 CONTACTS

WEEKEND EVANGELISTIC WORK: In the weekend evangelistic work, we continue focused in the spiritual and numerical growth of the churches that we help every week end. Every month we can see that the brethren are more enthusiastic learning how to share the good news with the lost!

RESULTS OF THE MONTH: 22 Baptisms, 326 Contacts, 29 Restorations, 51 disciples for teach others

Total of Baptisms of OCTOBER----- 45

Restorations of OCTOBER----- 32

Contacts----- 518

BICA GUATEMALA

REPORT OF RESULTS DURING THE YEAR 2014

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGNS: Baptisms= 292 Restorations= 101
(JANUARY THROUGH OCTOBER 2014)

WEEKEND EVANGELISTIC WORK: Baptisms= 254 Restorations= 303
(JANUARY THROUGH OCTOBER 2014)

ESTABLISHED HOUSE CHURCHES ON 2014: 3

On the weekend evangelistic work we are helping an average of 23 congregations every year. We try to reach different congregations every year. We have many churches that are requiring our assistance but we have not enough students!

CALCULATION ABOUT THE WORK OF THE BICA GRADUATES:

- TOTAL OF BICA GRADUATES IN GUATEMALA: 179
- AVERAGE OF GRADUATES MAKING GOOD WORKS IN THEIR CHURCHES: 84%
- AVERAGE OF BAPTISMS PER YEAR OF ONE GRADUATE AND HIS DISCIPLES: 27-31

Number of BICA students graduated, Honduras, El Salvador, and Nicaragua: 76; this year we will add 18 more.

72 are doing a faithful work for the Lord. 4 are unfaithful.

The average baptisms per graduate and their disciples are approximately 120-140 per year (EACH)

We have established 8 new churches: Ometepe Island; Nindirí, Masaya; Nandasmo Masatepe; Flor del Pochote Masatepe; Omar jos, Managua; Pedro Joaquin, Chinandega; Dulce Nombre, Jinotepe; Belen, Jinotepe

(as reported by Erick Garcia)