Biblical Institute of Central America

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

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Dear Concerned for the Lost,

Greetings and blessings are yours from BICA. Thank you for your sacrifice for teaching the lost. In heaven, you will receive your thousands of hugs. Rejoice that God can use you to carry out the mission of Christ.

I left January 3rd to teach Evangelism for one week in each of the three schools. The first week is very sobering. The students are preparing for war. They will have 4-6 hours of homework each night. We are serious! The following is a list of some of the first week's subjects:

- 1. Command/Purpose/Vision of God: Matthew 1:21-13, Luke 19:10, Matthew 9:35-38, 16:16.
- 2. Motivation/Help Promised, Faith, Vision: Mark 9:23—all things possible, Prov. 29:18, No vision—people perish. God's Ability—Daniel 3:17, Phil. 4:13,19, II Cor. 9:8, Eph. 3:20-21—Not afraid, II Tim. 1:7, Phil. 1:14—Not ashamed Romans 1:16; Not intimidated II Cor. 11:23-28.
- **3. God's Method:** Multiply, Acts 4:32; 5:14, 18; 6:7; 16:5—Acts 19 = US; II Tim. 2:2—Multiply the teachers; Matthew 28:18-20, teach, baptize; Teach—ways to mature new converts.
- **4. The Good News Presentation**: (about 50 minutes to present) See the outline in Spanish or English at www.bica.info, in the left side at the bottom. Click on Gospel Presentation (Outline).
- **5. Motivations to obey—Deal with Objections with the Bible**: Acts 2:40—exhorted; two kinds of people—Acts 2:37, 41. Some received the Word , some not: Luke 7:29ff. Luke 14:17, excuses; Acts 24:24ff Felix—terrified, close but lost; Acts 26: 24ff—King Agrippa—almost but lost; two voices—Satan and Jesus—choose your master.
- **6. Already Been Baptized**: Biblical?, Method, reasons, immersed, forgive sins?. Gift of the Holy Spirit, in Christ? Etc. Acts 9:6 Jesus says **must do**.
- **7. Baptized as a Baby**: Who are to be baptized? Why? Sinners who believe and repent; Acts 8:12, men and women.
- **8. Acts 16– Jailer**—We reason from the Word to show it was not by faith only and that infants do not need baptism (innocent)
- **9. Objections**: Baptism is a work (Grace?) Acts 2:37, 38. What shall we DO to be saved?; Acts 9:22 Saul—"What must I do?" Jesus said, "Go...." told you what you MUST DO. Jesus is correct—always!
- **10. Need More Time:** In Acts 2, they heard one short sermon, then obeyed.
- 11. Hero, Family Friend Not Baptized: James 4:17, John 14:15, 23ff.
- **12. Bad Experience with church Members:** Welcome to the crowd, always hypocrites. Jesus experienced it with Judas. Bad people should not have more influence than a great Jesus.
- **13. Go Fishing—Close to God:** True—but Acts 2:46ff: 4:32ff; Eph 3:20ff; Eph 3:10-12, We need each other.
- **14. Different Doctrines:** Infant baptisms, thief on the cross, once saved always saved, Authority of the Word, How they got miracles, kingdom/church, Holy Spirit, Learn from a vision or a man?, Feelings, Cult religions, Women's role, Music, Two covenants.
- 15. 27 Tips for Soul Winners
- **16. The Gospel Presentation:** from Mark 16:15,16; Col. 1:23, Roman 1:16, I Cor 15:1-4, Romans 6:1-7, II Thess. 1:8,9

17. Missions Strategy/Method

18: Isaiah 51:5 Infant in Sin?

This is a lot of material for one week. We have to get on our horse and ride hard! It's all about the lost. Pray, please pray for us.

In Christ, George Hall

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As a reminder of what we do at BICA:

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Our Concepts:

- 1. Our goal/vision/purpose is from God Take the Gospel to all the world.(Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15,16)
- 2. God's method/our method The method must be biblical and have the capacity to accomplish His goal. II Timothy 2:2 teaches us to teach others to teach others, resulting in multiplication (Acts 6:7)
- 3. God's provision is where we place our faith. He promises to provide all of our needs to take the Gospel to all (Phil. 4:19) He is able to do much more than we can ask or think (Ephesians 3:20-21) He gives all grace and is all-sufficient in everything. (II Corinthians 9:8)
- 4. God's compassion for the lost We desire to have the heart and compassion of Jesus (Matthew 9:35-38) He was moved by compassion and saw the people as distressed and scattered like sheep without a shepherd. PRAY for laborers.
- 5. **We produce life-time, self-supported missionaries in their own culture.** Dependency cripples missions like welfare cripples families.

Our Agenda:

- 1. Classes are held from Monday to Friday. We study every book of the Bible, evangelism, preaching, music, etc.
- Saturdays and Sundays, students are paired up to work with local churches and work closely with the local members to teach them how to teach others as we share the Good News. This weekend work will also give them the experience of preaching, teaching, leading songs, and working with the youth within a local congregation.
- 3. Each of the three schools (Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua) has at least ten week-long evangelistic campaigns each year. We also teach house to house. Each student will conduct at least 600 Bible studies within the two years.
- 4. We start house churches in areas where there are no churches. By the time the students graduate, they will have the experience and know how to establish new house churches.