



Prayer Request for Upcoming Events:

May 16-23

Latin America Church Revitalization Conference
Lima, Peru

June 2-4

Embers to a Flame, Revitalization Conference
Armenia, Colombia

June 29- July 8

How to Study the Bible, Bible Institute, Bogota, Colombia

July 9-15

Evangelism Training, San Pedro de Uraba, Colombia

August 17-26

Marriage Conference & Graduation, Medellin, Colombia

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2 Timothy 2:2

²and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.

2018 Trip Updates:

Preaching Class January: Medellin Colombia

Our World Reach Bible Institute students in Medellin faithfully prepared their messages and preached to the class and visitors. I am always amazed at their creativity and insight as they preach the Word of God. There is always a sense of relief when they get this homiletical exercise completed.

Revival Prayer Conference Feb 16-18: Valencia, Colombia

Approximately 86 churches in northwest Colombia gathered to learn about Revival Prayer. This was a follow-up to my meeting there last year on church revitalization. They listened eagerly and had opportunities to pray in small groups and practice what Al Baker had presented. I had an opportunity to challenge the group with the next steps for them in revitalization. Thirty-three churches have requested help! Three Colombian pastors are in training to assist me in the process. We need God's wisdom and provision to conduct the follow up needed.

Bogota, Preliminary Bible Institute Class: Philippians

Lolly and I taught Philippians to an eager group of potential students. For the majority, inductive study was a new adventure. We had a real challenge helping them bridge the gap from the text to personal application. Many know what the Word says, but have trouble relating the text to life. Over 24 hours of class we observed the text verse by verse. When we finished, the comments were very encouraging from the students.

Please be in prayer that God will raise up an eager and motivated group of new students.

Resolving Conflict in the Church Biblically - March 19-24, Bogota, Colombia

I asked Mark Travers to accompany me and teach this vital subject to our potential students in Medellin. The class was impacted by a thorough examination of the scriptures dealing with repentance, confession, forgiveness, church discipline, and restoration. God opened their eyes to a process that is mostly new to the class. The looks on their faces gave evidence that God was at work. After one more preliminary class we will have our students selected and ready for our June class on Bible Study Methods.

Next:

May 16-23 Lima, Peru: Latin America Church Revitalization Training

We will gather 54 men from eight countries for a week of training. Felix Ortiz is coming from Spain to teach the group about spiritual coaching. Then we will present the Embers to a Flame Church revitalization conference with an emphasis on how to coach through the implementation process in a church. All of our World Reach Latin American staff will be present, along with Bible Institute coordinators and pastors from several countries. I am praying God will inspire and equip this team to challenge all of the churches we impact in our Bible Institutes and many more to be all God wants them be.

Please be in prayer for several churches in Colombia that I am working with. They are in the midst of internal conflict. Pray that God will lead those involved to repentance and reconciliation so that the body of Christ will be unified in their purpose and mission.

We thank God for your prayers and support. Lord willing, this year I will be teaching and training in thirteen locations this year. We thank God for your partnership. Many of our students send their thanks and greetings too.

For Christ,

The Wilsons



Revival Prayer Conference



Medellin Preaching Class



Coaching Church Revitalization Team