

#### **Prayer Request for Upcoming Events:**

### January 31-February 10

### (Lolly and Bobby)

Homiletics Class, Bible Institute, Bogota, Colombia

### February 11-12

Training Timothys, Bogota, Colombia

## March 4-11

Training Church Coaches, Valencia, Colombia

Seven more training events with dates to be determined. Please pray for wisdom in scheduling.

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"The Christmas message is that there is hope for a ruined humanity— hope of pardon, hope of peace with God, hope of glory—because at the Father's will Jesus became poor, and was born in a stable so that thirty years later He might hang on a cross."

# ~ J.I. Packer

Dear Friends,

I want to say a special thank you for your prayers and support of the ministry God called us to begin twenty five years ago. Because you pray and give we are seeing God change lives and churches. Because of your sacrifice people have called upon the name of Christ for salvation in the past year, families are being transformed and churches are returning to their first love.

This past year has been packed and fruitful. We have been involved in 16 training events. Three were in the USA and thirteen were international trips. Lolly co-taught with me four times. You were not there to see all God accomplished but I can assure you He is at work. On our recent trip to Barranquilla I spoke to a church at their 17th anniversary. Thirteen people responded to a call to actively follow the call of God. As you look at your Christmas decorations and packages, I want you to imagine fiftytwo churches that I am coaching through revitalization and know you had a part in wrapping their presents.

We closed our recent marriage conference in Colombia, with an inductive examination of Philemon. The class discovered the context of forgiveness and reconciliation. They were visibly impacted and eager for more training in how to study the Bible. Five churches were represented by their pastors and leadership. They requested our materials to teach to their congregations.

Simon Florez, my right hand, translator, and partner in ministry has joined World Reach officially this year. He is support raising so he can expand his work with me. He is nearing completion of translating our third Henry Blackaby book on *Spiritual Coaching* into Spanish. Simon has his own ministry and is going on mission trips on my behalf to help us expand our Bible Institutes. Your investment is us is benefitting his training and preparation for many fruitful years of ministry in the future. We want to wish you and your family merry Christmas and sincerely thank you for your support and prayers. You are a gift from God to us, and we thank God for you. For Christ,

The Wilsons



Marriage and Family Conference in Barranquilla, Colombia. One commented, "Your teaching is all Bible!"



Bobby and Simon preaching at the church anniversary



Pastor German displaying their mission and vision statement - fruit of revitalization



Party time! The road was blocked on the way to the church service. Welcome to Colombia.



Pastors and their wives learning about church revitalization in Northwest Colombia