

## June 20-29

San Pedro de Uraba, Colombia,

Marriage and Family conference with Pastors and wives

July 20-26 Bogota, Colombia, Romans Bible Institute class

## **August 16-22**

Peru, Expository Preaching Class

## October 5-12

Barranquilla, Colombia Church Revitalization

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## 2 Timothy 2:2

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

On my last trip in March I met with our Honduras team in Siguatepeque and delivered a portable digital X-ray system. Getting the machine dismantled and loaded into six suitcases was a challenge. The next challenge was getting it to function again. God answered prayer and it was delivered functional to the ministry at CAFFIN. We also had some good meetings planning and encouraging the team. We did not know there would be a new normal very soon when I returned from Honduras two days before the borders closed!

Exciting opportunities from within the crisis:

- \*Launched a weekly prayer meeting via Zoom for church revitalization
- \*Leadership development within our World Reach Team
- •Online study of Romans began this week in Colombia, since the regular Bible Institute class was canceled due to the quarantine. This is led by Simon, Cristian & Andres.
- •Simon is leading his online church activities and preparing for a counseling class live on YouTube teaching insights from Heath Lambert's book *The Theology of Biblical Counseling*.
- •Pastor Cristian Fuentes is leading daily Precept Bible studies online with his church. Cristian graduated from our Bible Institute and planted a healthy church.
- \*Kayla and Andres Barrato are World Reach missionaries in Bogota, besides helping lead the Bible Institute, they are producing children's Bible classes in English and Spanish. The team is busy!
- •I am continuing church revitalization efforts by meeting online with pastors in Colombia
- •The Honduran team is organizing relief for hungry families within their churches
- \*New online classes are being developed by Hector and Angelina Estrada.

I know many of you have been asked to stay home and only go out for essentials. But in many countries, they are only allowed out of the house once a week! This is a very trying time for people who earn their daily funds for food and housing. Many rural pastors have no support from their churches in the quarantine and online giving is often not available. Their bi-vocational jobs are not generating any funds so just having food on the table is difficult. There are many people in the midst of a crisis in Central and South America. Our team in Honduras wants to distribute food supplies to families in need but cannot get permission yet to make the deliveries, since they are under a curfew. Rural pastors in Colombia are suffering too. Please pray for wisdom as to how to help. Some of the more urban churches are making donations to help supply those in need. If you want to help support the humanitarian relief efforts, designate your gift and I will get the funds in country.

It is amazing to see how this virus has impacted churches. Previously resistant to change, stuck in traditional paradigms of ministry, many churches did not want to embrace technology and new ways. Now, pastors and leaders are asking for help and using new ways to reach people in quarantine. I believe there is hope for revival in this storm!

Please pray for wisdom and discernment for the needs that abound. I see this viral crisis as a huge opportunity for the love of Christ to be shown. I am excited to be a part of leading and coaching our team in Central and South America. Our team is focused and very productive in these challenging days. To God be the glory.

You can make a donation to World Reach Ministry, P.O.Box 26155, Birmingham, Al 35260-0155.

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We thank God for your prayers and assistance.

For the Gospel,

Bobby and Lolly Wilson



Encouraging pastors online



Online Class in Bogota, Colombia