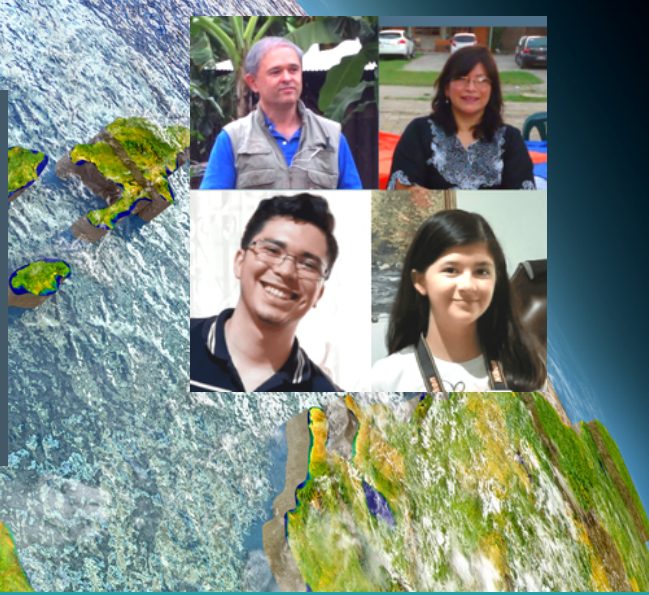


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PERDOMO FAMILY

World Reach Missionaries in Central America



Dear brothers and sisters.

It is always a pleasure for us to address you with gratitude in our hearts. The Lord has shown immeasurable goodness to us, so it is a privilege to share the blessings and opportunities that God has allowed us to experience in this period.

The situation in Honduras... We are Vaccinated!

This past July was the "worst month" of the pandemic here in Honduras. Although the government decided to open the economy, hospitals are full due to the enormous damage that many businesses are suffering. There is still a curfew at night, but many activities have returned to almost normal during the day. Many churches, including our own, still are celebrating worship services via Zoom. We are waiting for the appropriate time to return to in-person activities.

The vaccination process has been very slow and with quite a few deficiencies due to the lack of vaccines and a series of bad decisions by some of the authorities. So, as you can imagine, Alan was surprised one day when a pastor friend called him and said: "I have a friend who is a nurse from a neighboring town and he says he has a vaccine leftover and that he decided to use it for a pastor, so I would like to give you the opportunity to be vaccinated". That was in June when vaccines were in short supply in the country. By God's grace, and with almost no opportunity to think or meditate on possible side effects, Alan received the first dose and had no side effects. A few days later, another pastor told us that there were vaccines in another sector of the city and Dorys received her respective dose. To this date, we both have been vaccinated, by God's grace. We ask for your prayers for the vaccination process in Honduras and wisdom so that the authorities can correctly lead the process for the benefit of the people.

Thesis Defense and PhD Graduation

After several years of study, effort, and research, Alan is ready to participate in the defense of his thesis in front of his academic advisers and the dean of the Seminary. On August 20th, at 10 am, Alan will fulfill this last step before graduating from his Ph.D. studies in Theological Education.

The advisers have already anticipated that they will ask about what Alan has learned throughout his research and the implications for theological education in Honduras and other Latin American countries. The dissertation was about the non-formal theological education programs that exist in these countries. The work includes a proposal to make theological training more effective and, at the same time, faithful to Scripture.

Please, pray for Alan so that he communicates the results of his investigation in a clear and well-ordered way.



New opportunities to "heal the heart"

After Dorys finished her training on American Bible Society's "Healing the Wounds of the Heart" program, several opportunities have been presented to share this experience and minister to women in emotional need. Recently, a pastor's wife who lives in Mexico invited her to share this course with a group of 30 pastors' wives from that country.

Among those who participated was "Maggie," a divorced pastor's wife living in New Zealand. Several years ago, her husband left her for another woman. In the beginning, she was quiet, but as the meetings went by (the course consists of six virtual meetings), she opened her heart and, on the last day, she was able to express her pain and leave it in the loving hands of the Lord to receive healing. We thank the Lord for the privilege of ministering to His people on these deep and sensitive issues. Please pray that Dorys will be able to represent with excellence the grace of the Lord and the principles of the Word applied to the lives of many people.

Teaching in University of San Pablo

Amid the anxiety and fear caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Lord has opened doors that could not otherwise be opened. At the end of June, the University of San Pablo in Guatemala City invited Alan to teach two classes in its Bible programs with pastors and leaders. The opportunity was unique because he could teach New Testament and Church History to pastors of various denominations. Additionally, classes are taught virtually via Zoom.

One of the classes would last one month and the other three months. By the Lord's grace, the students in the New Testament class abundantly expressed their gratitude and appreciation for the teachings on the Pauline letters. Surely the Lord is in control, and even in the midst of the difficult situation, He is directing his work. We thank the Lord for these new scenarios that are unfolding before us which allow us to continually teach the Word of God faithfully.

Working on a New Mobile Bible Institute

The group of World Reach missionaries in Latin America has been meeting to give a new start to the Mobile Bible Institute in several countries. Alan has participated in the process by offering ideas, suggestions, and proposals. The new program will consist of twelve classes divided into three years and, in addition, a year of preliminary classes. There is a long way to go in this work. Please pray for wisdom, understanding of God's will for this program, and direction from the Lord on this journey

