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Paul, by inspiration, tells us in Phil 4:19 that God will supply all our needs according to his riches in glory in Christ. In Jesus, we have access to the riches of God's glory so that our needs are supplied. Wow! Thanks be to our glorious God who has provided and supplied all that is needed in Jesus to be a part of the establishment of His kingdom on earth for our good and His glory.

### NOVEMBER,

Good news! This month I finished the Spanish translation and editing of the inductive study of 1st Peter written by Bobby and Lolly Wilson. This means more quality Bible study materials for the Latin church; 1 John and Philippians are coming soon.

I also had the opportunity to go on a mission trip with a team from my local church to three places of Cordoba in northern Colombia: Ayapel, La Apartada, and Villa Esperanza.



In Ayapel, we visited a foundation that assists about 300 children and adolescents in the area. We were doing recreational and evangelistic activities. Sharing with the children and teenagers in this place was a reminder from God to my heart (and I hope He uses this letter to remind you too) of the importance of working to raise up a new generation that worships and tells the wonders of God. (See Judges 2:6-10, Psalm 78:1-8, Deut 6:4-9)

In La Apartada and Villa Esperanza, I had the privilege of participating along with a sister from my local church in teaching the women.

Our topic was the role of a woman and submission based on the study on marriage written by World Reach missionaries. I always rejoice in being able to create places of trust where women can feel free to speak, pour out their hearts, expose their doubts, and manifest their struggles. Together, woman to woman, we find God and His truth for us and embrace it with all our hearts.



### *A call for urgency!*

On the last day in Villa Esperanza, we received a call informing us that a 16-year-old girl, who had been in our sessions for women, had a motorcycle accident and died. It impacted us all. God made me meditate on how important it is to preach the gospel of Jesus every time we teach. Proclaiming the good news is urgent. Even during pain, we praise God for His mercy in bringing her to the meeting and for allowing us to tell her about the salvation of Jesus.

## DECEMBER,

In the month of December, I again joined the AGAP Foundation to a community on the outskirts of Medellín called the Granizal Village. It is one of the largest settlements of displaced people in the city. I usually teach Bible classes to the mothers of the children who attend. However, this time I had the opportunity to teach teenagers along with a great friend and psychologist, and we talked about God and our "life project." Seeing the gospel permeate every area of our lives shows how kind our God is and how much He delights in doing us good.



A team of World Reach missionaries have joined efforts to create new material to restructure the content of the curriculum of the Bible Institutes offered by the ministry. I have been collaborating with two other missionaries to develop a class on Spanish grammar. A better understanding of grammar has been requested by rural pastors to help them better understand the Bible. Creating material from scratch has been an arduous process, but one of much learning. We hope to finish this project by March.

The editing and translating of the 1 John inductive study was also completed this month.

## JANUARY,



New year is a synonym of new beginnings, new opportunities, but also a call to be still and listen to the voice of God. This month was the perfect time for us as a team of missionaries in Colombia to gather for fellowship, study, prayer, and planning this new year. It was a wonderful retreat and the first time we were all together as a team face to face. We also had the blessing to have Bobby Wilson with us, our friend and mentor. God made this time special.

As final thought, remember your primary life purpose is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. That "forever" starts now where you are and with what you do. God in his riches in Jesus will supply what it is needed to accomplish that purpose.

In the Beloved,

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### Prayer requests,

- Fidelity in every work and ministerial activity
- Discipline in time management
- Training process (certification in Christian ministry and certification in Biblical counseling)
- Editing and translating of Philippians inductive Bible study
- Opportunities to share the Gospel

If you want more information, or if you want to share your prayer requests, do not hesitate to write me at [mvelez@world-reach.org](mailto:mvelez@world-reach.org)

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