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<u>UPDATES</u>

We always thank the Lord for the opportunity to use us for His glory and kingdom. We began this year with a team planning retreat for WORLD REACH COLOMBIA, and a TRIP TO LAUNCH BIBLE INSTITUTES (BIS) IN CORDOBA AND MEDELLIN.

In each place, God has been giving fruit from what was planted in the two years that we've been working in the places we visited. To you who pray for my family and me, I want to thank you for your support in praying and in giving to World Reach. God has blessed us greatly, and as a result, I've been able to travel with the team and launch the BI courses in Cordoba and Medellín, Colombia.

It was a blessing to meet together as a TEAM from Jan. 30 – Feb. 3. God gave me the privilege of being chosen as the new World Reach BI Director for Colombia. I thank God for this new opportunity to grow as a leader, and I thank God for the brothers and sisters who support our ministry. I'm also thankful for how God shows us His love and yours through the support you provide and the trust you've placed in me and my family.

As a team, we've worked hard in the visits we've made to Cordoba and Medellín and the launching of the new BIs in Colombia. I know that we've achieved the goal of beginning preliminary BI courses in each of these two cities.







l Timothy 1:12 "I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service." In MEDELLIN, we were able to schedule the first three preliminary courses for this year. They are ready with their scheduled dates, subjects and teachers. The spirit of the MEDELLIN students is amazing and they are eager to participate in the training and to be better prepared for the service that God has called them to.

Likewise, in Montelíbano, CORDOBA, we were able to plan a preliminary course in April, with a view of establishing dates for the other 2 preliminary courses in Cordoba like we did in Medellín.

The visit of our Latin American BI Director, Brad Taylor, and his wife Colleen was also of great support and help in making decisions. Being able to share those two weeks with them was a great example and encouragement for my new job of being the BI Director for Colombia.





PRAISES

- For God's work in opening these two new BI sites.
- For the privilege of serving as the new Colombia BI Director.
- For the full recovery of my wife.
- For the brothers and sisters who support our ministry so we can serve the Lord.
- For you who always remember us in your prayers.

PRAYERS

Family:

- For our family's unity and service to the Lord.
- For emotional, spiritual and physical provision for our family.
- For continued support for this year.

Ministry:

- For the completion of the legal documents of the congregation.
- For the place that the Lord has provided to congregate and the search for a larger one in the future.
- For BI leadership training.
- For the ability of learning English and its completion.
- For the project of the inductive method class on the World Reach website.

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