# THE MEJIA FAMILY

**SERVING GOD IN HONDURAS** 

### PRAYER LETTER JANUARY-MARCH 2023





#### **WORDS THAT ENCOURAGE!**

A contractor feels encouraged when others can see the building he built, when the structure and design is appreciated. An artist feels satisfied when someone admires their creation and sees each detail. What encourages or motivates a teacher? In my opinion, it is to observe the changes in the thoughts and actions of their students. In these last few years, I have been working together with a small group of pastors and leaders in the communities of El Tomate, Guaimaco Francisco Morazan. Many of these brothers come from churches with a charismatic background. They have a great passion for the work, but at the same time they need a solid Biblical formation.

One of the emphasis in my class is to encourage the students to love, know, study and value the Word of God. In a context where many men get up to speak in the name of God (without necessarily having heard Him) and where there are many self named "prophets" who claim to have a "fresh word", it is necessary to affirm the authority of the Scriptures and the Word of God. A few weeks back I shared on social media some ideas of a spiritual movement which caused a revolution in many different contexts. One of my students and a pastor of a charismatic church, responded with the following:

"I feel a healthy jealousy for the believers in the city of Berea in Acts 17:11. They examined the Scriptures to know if the words Paul spoke were true. The same applies to us today. All we need to know about God and how He manifests Himself are found in the pages of Scripture. Studying the Bible with dedication helps us to determine what is true and what is false. If we fail in studying the Bible, we can be deceived and believe false teachings."

I am certain that this is a big change in this student's way of thinking. Now he recognizes the need to evaluate all spiritual manifestation in the context of the church in the light of the Word of God. I feel God has encouraged me in many ways in the ministry of teaching and this is one of them. In the middle of such confusion in the church, there is nothing more important than to maintain a commitment to the Word of God as the maximum authority in the lives of believers and in the church in general.



Alisson tending to a patient in a medical brigade in our church



Abner teaching the Word of God in the mountains of La Paz



Abner teaching the class "Introduction to Ministry of Preaching and Teaching"

## **HOW IS THE FAMILY?**

Alisson has good days and bad days in her health because of her thyroid condition. The demands of home, ministry, and her profession are situations she confronts daily. Would you take 5 minutes to pray asking for physical, emotional, and spiritual strength for Alisson?

Abner is constantly busy with many commitments, and his health has not been the best in the last few days. It is hard for him to say no to so many opportunities to serve in ministry. Would you pray that Abner would learn that sometimes it is necessary to say no and take time to care for his health?

lan Andres is about to finish 4th grade in ABEKA. One of the challenges is the need to interact with other children socially, so he can develop deep friendships. Would you pray that God will provide spaces for lan Andres to engage with other children his age?

Ellie Sophia is growing fast. She is demanding and restless, of course she's just a little girl. She has developed a few allergies and has not been able to transition well from breast milk to formula. Would you pray that Ellie Spohia will overcome her allergies and enjoy better health?

### **HOW IS THE MINISTRY?**

Abner and Alisson are involved in different projects in ministry. They are involved in evangelizing to children, promoting literacy, dental health, radio programs, training of leaders, and ministering through preaching and teaching. Please pray for their health and provision so they may continue with their ministry responsibilities that God has placed in their hands.

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