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<u>UPDATES</u>

I thank God for always providing enough in my life so that I can please Him, and I also thank Him for His inexhaustible grace. It is by His grace in my life that I can give this report that the Lord has allowed me to serve Him during these months for His kingdom and glory. I share this with you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, who pray without ceasing and support the work of God and his servants in Colombia and throughout the world.

I am happy to share with you what the Lord has allowed us to do in Medellin where we began our first preliminary Bible Institute class, "Called to Serve." This first preliminary class was one of great challenges, since it was the first time that a class was carried out with the flipped classroom method. This method is where the students work through the course manual during two months leading up to the class, and then in the class, the teacher helps the students assimilate and implement what they've learned. This is the method that the entire World Reach team in Latin America has been planning to implement for several years. It was a great joy and thanksgiving to the Lord to see how this group of students was challenged and encouraged to study the Scriptures for themselves, and at the same

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time able to learn in a dynamic way (both with material and videos). They shared their convictions with the group for the edification of all.



The next challenge for them was to start their second preliminary class with the flipped classroom, which is "How to Study the Bible". After the first preliminary class, they were given the material for the next class (How to Study the Bible), which they needed to study personally over the next three months. They would return to the face-to-face class at the end of June to study together what they had learned at home. And I hope in the Lord that I will be able to report in my next newsletter the great testimonies of how the Lord worked in this time of personal study.

REACH

Now the other news that I will report will be from Uraba, another place in Colombia where people are meeting and visiting in order to start a Mobile Bible Institute in the future. In the month of March, we visited Uraba together with our brother, Simón Flores. An evangelistic conference was held with the purpose of publicizing the ministry of World Reach and the

Bible Institutes. It was a great joy to see how God has opened doors. He continues to give His grace to be able to reach leaders who recognize the need to be formed by God through the Scriptures in order to carry out the work to which they were called to serve God with excellence.



2 Timothy 2:1 "You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." I also want to share about the training that we as a team from Colombia did with Explosive Evangelism in Armenia. We were trained in how to evangelize to all ages, and how to provide this training for others as well.



<u>PRAISES</u>

- For God's response to starting classes at the MBI (Mobile Bible Institute).
- For the privilege of being an MBI field manager.
- For the brothers and sisters who give to World Reach to support us so we can serve the Lord.
- For the brothers and sisters who always remember us in their prayers.

<u>PRAYERS</u>

Family:

- For the unity and service of our family to the Lord.
- For the spiritual, physical and emotional provision for our family.

Ministry:

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

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