

Santiago de Veraguas, Panama, February, 22, 2024



1Ti 1:12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;

Beloved brethren and churches of our Lord Jesus Christ,

With your help, we keep moving forward with the goal that Panama not only be known for her Canal, but that she could come to be known as the country of the Bible.

I dream of putting a tract or a Bible study in every corner of the country, and giving Bibles to those who really need them. Since the start of this year, about 300 boxes of tracts have been distributed. We have been able to buy Bibles, print new Bible courses, and distribute quite a bit.

With the vision of taking the Gospel to every home in the country, God has allowed us this year, 2024, to have the 7th to 9th grade Learn with Jesus textbooks ready to be sent in digital format to the schools at the start of this new school year beginning in early March. This is the result of many months of preparation and hard work, in the midst of great opposition. Only God and our team know the tears that have moistened the pages of each lesson, written with much love, and God's help. We also have a little more than 6,000 printed copies of the series for distribution in special areas. The Learn with Jesus Project keeps moving forward.

Added to the effort of propagating the message of salvation, our program Walking with God and IEC Productions will merge March 1st with two weekly broadcasts on our website iecinternacional.com and the Instituto Educativo Cristiano channel with recorded programs and live broadcasts.

Part of our ministry is to disciple new believers and to prepare workers for the vineyard. We offer intensive courses of two or three days each month to support and train the new generation of preachers and teachers, supported by missionaries and pastors with vast experience. We will be starting in March 2024. We continue offering the correspondence courses and personal discipleship, a key for Christian growth.

Our Family Camp 2024 had an attendance of about 350 people, with whom we shared the theme "Be Part of the Missionary Work". Brethren from different areas of the country, praised God in four different languages. We enjoyed the visits of brethren from Brooks Baptist Church of Kentucky, the Pierre family of Florida, and our beloved brother Robert Creech, who continues to serve the Lord among us. It is gratifying to see the growth of the work. Twenty three young men expressed their desire to surrender their lives to the Lord's service and to prepare for the work. There was a baptism and we genuinely rejoiced in the presence of God and His Spirit touching hearts.

Our city, Santiago de Veraguas, is the seat of the J.D.A. Normal College, the institution dedicated to the formation of the elementary school teachers of the country. Taking advantage of this strategic location, this year we will offer these future teachers and others, free English courses, supported by brethren from churches in the U.S. This year we have the blessing of two young people from the Badger Road Baptist Church of Fairbanks, Alaska and one from Lamb of God Baptist Church of Ocean View, Hawaii. This ministry is a good opportunity for those who speak English and want to participate for a short time. The course is designed by two of our daughters, who are credentialed in bilingual education here in Panama. The curriculum is based on Bible lessons, with hymns and a clear Gospel presentation.

Our missions in Penonomé, San Lucas, El Perú and El Edén are continuing to grow.

We are visiting the area de Tolé in Chiriquí province with the desire to establish a base to serve the indigenous region.

I thank God for the opportunity to participate in the seminar for workers in El Peñon in the Buglere Region and the anniversary services of the Bethel Baptist Church of Cañazas.

Please receive our family's greetings. My wife's health has recovered, our daughters are serving in the ministry projects, our son Samuel, now 14 years old, is studying and serving the Lord as he is able.

Thanks for being part of the missionary work in Panama.

We appreciate your prayers.



We thank God that the pavillion for the large conferences was finished and was a blessing to the 350 attendees.

Our goal now is to get 100 more chairs.



The project of distributing Christian literature throughout the country is always a challenge.

The costs of fuel, lodging, food and vehicle maintenance sometimes limits our visiting more areas, but as we are enabled we advance into new areas with the spiritual bread.

