



Dennis & Jolaine Thomas

serving in
Latin America

Dennis & Jolaine Thomas
Matagalpa, Nicaragua

E Mail: dennislthomas@gmail.com

Sponsoring Church: Midway Baptist Church
205 S. Bridgfarmer Rd., McKinney, Texas 75069
Pastor, Ed Neal ~ 214-548-0150, 214-727-5856

Greetings and blessings to all co-laborers as we meet the challenges of the new year. This marks the 38th year of our living and laboring on foreign soil in the regions beyond.

Presently we have ongoing ministry in Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala and Belize. Thank you for years of prayers, encouragement and support as we have labored together in the fields white unto harvest. Thus, great will be our reward in Heaven. We have been commanded by our Savior to work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work. We understand that this is the work of the Lord. We sow, water and reap but it is God who opens the understanding and converts the soul. Let us be busy in this new year getting the seed out of the barn.

VENEZUELA



God has brought to my heart these last months an insatiable desire to help Venezuela. There are 19 countries representing 400 million native Spanish speakers in the world. My heart is burdened...Oh, just to have a 'little light' in these countries, using the 15-

minute programs that God has enabled me to make covering at present 200 topics. These spiritual principles are soul saving and life altering once heard and received into the heart. Daily we are scouring the Venezuelan news outlets and finding unbelievable numbers and news which testify to the reality of a dying nation. We need a daily ministry there!!!

We are preparing an introduction and a demo program that will be sent to every radio station in the country. Don't even think or ask if we have money to pay for the daily programing should a station respond. Faith, would be the answer....pray with us and then rejoice in faith with us! Just think of it....32 million population! Would I go to a country in meltdown...you ask? Yep...in a heartbeat! But only when the Lord says...Now!!!!

Country in Crisis...

CARACAS, VENEZUELA **Could this be the time???**

February 5, 2018 ~ Meticulously tracking the price of the humble egg ... Six months ago, donations from one Sunday church service could buy 30 eggs for church events, he said. Now...more than 50 Sundays to buy the same number of eggs, according to the Wall Street Journal.

January 16, 2018 ~ Venezuela's President Nicholas Maduro announced that pregnant women will soon be awarded a small cash subsidy. The monthly payment at the current exchange rate, is worth about **\$3.83 dollars**, according to CNN. After the women give birth, their stipend will increase to **\$5.48 dollars**.

Ocotal and Bluefields

A bit of History and insight... Ocotal was the site of the first dive bombing attacks during a battle that pitted the American Marines and the Sandinista rebels. This is our 'gettin' off town before crossing the border into Honduras. They have the benefit of daily broadcasts on both National Stations of Radio 580 ~ Nicaragua, and Radio America ~ Honduras. Pray for us as we labor this week in Ocotal. We'll come home for a few days to write, record and repack and then head to Bluefields for a full week of ministry.

Little did I know that my efforts to teach these Biblical Concepts every single day on non-Christian radio stations throughout Central America would be a ministry 'without borders'! We received listener letters this week from an attorney in the U.S., from parks and buildings management in Washington DC and another letter from Germany. Today is dedicated to responding to many questions and requests for more material on particular subjects. There is a common and sobering phrase that many end their letters with ... "Please don't mention my name". That's the reality of living in a country where anything outside the 'traditional religion' is not tolerated. Let us not take for granted our 'liberty', our 'boldness', our 'confidence' that our faith gives us and our religious rights afford us. Pray for those that believe and worship in the closets of their hearts.

...if you have a little bit of time, I hope that we can talk about the Word of God. This is between you and me, pastor, dennis

"May God always illuminate you is my desire. It is with difficulty that I am writing you because I am not a Christian as is commonly understood or explained. On the other hand for some time now I have had a desire to congratulate and thank you for the Biblical messages that you give us, which strengthens us. I work in the capital, Managua, Nicaragua but live in the country. To be perfectly honest I don't wake up now to the sound of the roosters crowing but to the music, Wonderful Words of Life, to the program 4:45 to 5:00 am on radio 580 out of Managua....thank you so very much. Just as you said, Bro. Dennis, we are not perfect but something happened when I confronted my weaknesses concerning the affliction and desolation in my life. The last two days of teaching concerning the subject of the Mercy of God, found their way into my heart. Thank you pastor Dennis. At the very least I have started reading the Bible in a more orderly manner and with honesty. You have encouraged me to continue on and we shall see where it might lead me. I ask you one favor, please keep quiet my name!

le pido un favor, mantenga callado to mi nombre