

Santiago de Veraguas, June 1, 2024

Beloved brethren and churches of our Lord Jesus Christ. .

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as Christians of vision have always done, we pray to God to show us clearly the opportunities for reaching the whole nation, and farther even, with the Word of God.

Panama had its general elections this year and on July 1st the new national government and the other officials at local levels will be installed. We are praying to God for all of them, hoping to have even better opportunities to contribute to the Christian education of the country.

Along this line, we are preparing to celebrate September, declared by Panamanian law (Law Number 26 of July10,2007) to be the "Month of Holy Scriptures", and especially the 30th of September, the official day of celebration. The law's purpose is "to conserve, divulge, and promote good Christian morality, tolerance, justice, faith, reconciliation, peace, and love of one's neighbor, and to further develop social and family values and follow God's Word."

Taking this into account, we are preparing again this year to exalt and glorify the Name of our God and His Word with the celebration of the Month of the Bible and the national day of the Holy Scriptures, by honoring and sharing this in the whole country.

For the mission work in Panama, it is a golden opportunity to put the message of God expressed in His Word into the hands of thousands of people. With the help of the other independent Baptist churches, the brethren in our missions and our own group, we will fan out over the whole country, and with the aid of seven vehicles, including some that are four wheel drive, and boats on rivers and the ocean, we are planning the following activities:

Christian Literature distribution in the cities and in the Indian regions, in the public institutions, in city halls, schools, jails, hospitals, and churches. **Messages to promote Bible awareness** on the radio, in the social media, and other means of communication. **Donate Bibles**, as possible, in government agencies, indigenous regions, schools, and to new believers. **Special events** in the churches with which we have fellowship.

The Lord has enabled us to have in the IEC (Christan Education Institute) a legal representation according to Article 3, and this allows us to **contribute** to the Christian education of the nation, and to **preach the Gospel** of our Lord Jesus Christ in Panama, using the written or spoken word in mass media, churches, schools and by all other legal and honest means.

We do all these activities freely as a contribution for the benefit of our society.

This is an ambitious project to bless our small nation of about four and a half million inhabitants.

We are praying that we could have the following materials printed and ready to distribute: More than 100,000 evangelistic tracts, "The ABCs of Christian Growth", "Multiply Your Life for Christ", "A History of Churches", "Still a Baptist, Neither Angry nor Ashamed", Bibles, Bible correspondence courses, <u>Learn with Jesus</u> textbooks.

We would appreciate your prayers for our preparation for the month of September, so that we could have the necessary resources of fuel and food and lodging for the teams that will go out.

We keep praying for a nation with ever greater biblical influence, from knowing the Most High.

Greetings from my family, with whom I keep serving full time by the grace of God,

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