

Dear Pastor and Prayer Supporter,

Recent Open Doors: Just a few short weeks ago, we held the annual pastors' conference at the International Pastors' Training Center. Months of preparation went into making this conference as impactful as possible, through development of the conference facility, property repairs, landscaping, construction, the purchasing of supplies, and a myriad of other projects. A week beforehand, the port finally released our shipping container full of materials and it arrived on site. We were so thankful that a group from Iglesia Bautista Belén came out to the conference center to work alongside our family and staff to unload over a thousand boxes of New Testaments, whole Bibles, tracts, and teaching resources. We are so privileged to be closely associated with Belén, as the church family did so much in helping to prepare and clean, as well as managing different roles through the duration of the conference.

For the conference speakers, we were blessed to have the involvement of several local pastors, like Pastor Tate, Pastor Josue, and Pastor Izaguirre, as well as missionaries Adam Fridenstine of El Salvador and Ricardo Portillo of Nicaragua. In addition, associate pastor Daniel Kirchner and Spanish pastor Gabriel Duran from our home church in WA flew up to join us as speakers for the conference. We were also joined by Pastor Donny Wilson and his team from Lighthouse Baptist Church in Moreno Valley, CA, who were heavily involved in various projects as well as preaching at local churches . We are so privileged to have help from all over the continent, and we are so grateful to all those who sacrificed their time, efforts, and resources to make the conference what it was.

Around 200 pastors from all over Central America were in attendance this 2024 conference. We were able to set up online registration on the conference website, which proved to be successful. That Monday night, we held the welcome and initiation service with a video presentation from Pastor Smith, who was unable to be there in person. We distributed loads of materials to each man present, as well as a special edition leather-bound Spanish whole Bible to each senior pastor. The following two days had over ten hour-long sessions that covered a wide range of topics, from the influence of music on a service, to the role of an assistant pastor, to the impact of a powerful visual presentation in preaching. In speaking with dozens of pastors afterwards, we were so thankful to hear they continue to count the conference as a huge source of blessing, encouragement, and Scriptural resources. Wednesday night, we held our final send-off service and were joined by local church families, with a total of over 300 people there. We are so encouraged and grateful to be a part of this every year, and we continue to pray that God makes the increase, even long after the conference is over.

Upcoming Projects/Events: We are now back in Washington for a short furlough before the holidays. We will be taking every opportunity possible to visit local churches to raise more support for the ministry as more and more unexpected opportunities open up. God has continued to broaden our horizons beyond the conference center, like traveling internationally for missions, ministering to the presidential guard, and working with the police force. We are also taking advantage of this time to especially hone in on our language learning, and we are praying to see encouraging progress in our Spanish. Thank you to every individual and ministry who got involved in the Sponsor-a-Pastor program, as we had just over 100 sponsorships. You have continued to be a massive part of our ministry, and we look forward to partnering with you in the close future.

For His Glory, The Lane Family *I Cor 16:9*

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