

GTC GOSPEL THROUGH COLOMBIA

Equipping church leaders in Colombia to proclaim the gospel throughout Latin America

*So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth;
It shall not return to Me Void,
But it shall accomplish what I please,
And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.
Isaiah 55:11*

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Dear Friends of GTC,

A Joyous and Peaceful New Year to you! Here is something you will just love!



Pastors Julio Benítez and Sergio Ruíz, both of Medellín, had agreed to go to Sullana, Perú, to teach a module to a group of forty pastors who, ten years ago, received the doctrines of grace, and, to date, have kept alive the reformation fire in their region. The pastors themselves organized the seminar for January 4th to the 14th. However, Dr. Ruiz became ill, and Pastor

Benitez saw that his responsibilities multiplied as the dates became closer. They requested that Noé Acosta would first replace them in Perú, and then go to Medellín to provide help with the growing church, while Pastor Ruiz recovers. Noé and Mimi agreed to respond to this mission call and, to their surprise, those very pastors of Peru had been part of a group who attended a conference, presented by Noe and ex-priest, Pastor Richard Bennett—ten years ago. These photos were taken at that time in Peru.



At moments when we feel somewhat discouraged, God demonstrates his mercy by allowing us to see the fruit that grew from seeds planted about a decade ago by GTC.

Please pray for Noé as he travels to Perú, and, later, to Colombia for about six weeks. In Perú, Noé will be teaching TULIP through the Book of Romans in an expository form.



More encouragement to us came from Pastor German Diaz, of Neiva, who wrote: *"I like to thank GTC for helping Agua Viva Reformed Christian Church to attain from individual Christians a loan to purchase piece of land to construct our building. The church was completed and, this month, we are sending the last payment of the loan. That loan was, indeed, a gift from God. We never would have been able to get a loan here. We are grateful to God that he allowed us to pay off this loan, so that other congregations could, also, benefit from similar loans. At the current time the Reformed Church in Colombia has grown in a magnificent way.*

It is strong, it is multiplying through the mentoring of pastors, and it has become a powerful force, an example of real Christianity. Pastors and congregations are beginning to look into our church organization, especially for the faithfulness of expository preaching, the dignity of the worship services and the evident biblical knowledge of church members. I want to honor God by thanking you, brothers, Pastor Bruce McDowell, Bryant Skinner, and Noé Acosta and his Mimi, for submitting to the will of God to serve us in this far away city. Please extend our gratitude to all GTC contributors."

God's blessings in the New Year!

Sincerely in Christ,
Bryant Skinner, Jr., President

To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ. Eph. 4:12 ESV

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