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## Mission Newsletter

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## **Previewing 2012**

At the beginning of another year, we look forward to 2012 and its fresh challenges and opportunities. The year 2011 is history and that story has been told in previous reports. With much of the 2012 schedule already developed and in place, it seems good to share with friends and supporters the expanded schedule and multiple opportunities for ministry and mission involvement. Thus, this brief report looks forward rather than backward.

Most of our efforts in 2012 will be devoted to leadership and teacher training workshops and seminars in Hispanic churches in the US and across Latin America. **About 130 teaching days are already scheduled.** Five workshops are scheduled in the US (Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Texas). We are also in touch with two congregations that want leadership seminars in English.

Internationally, leadership and teacher training seminars are scheduled in Guatemala, Chile, Uruguay, Honduras, El Salvador, Ecuador, Columbia, and Peru. (We also have invitations to Panama, Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic, but those dates are not yet scheduled.) Insofar as possible, we seek to combine trips and work with as many different congregations as possible to keep travel costs at a minimum. In some cases, the number of churches desiring assistance and their distance from one another is too great for one trip. In these cases, we have to make more than one trip—but on each trip we work with at least 4-6 congregations directly, and with other congregations indirectly as members travel to take advantage of the workshops and training. In the coming year, many of these contacts will be coupled with a renewed effort to encourage every-member evangelism, especially explaining how to use the series "En Busca de la Verdad" (Quest for Truth). Finally, Bob continues to chair the board of Association Amicus. In this role he tries to travel and speak on behalf of the work of the Association and Baxter Institute.

## Thank You for your Prayers and Support

We would love to share the excitement of missions with your congregation. As always, we thank you for your interest, prayers and support. We are excited about being involved in spreading the gospel and strengthening the churches in Latin America. The major cities of our world are a fertile field for the gospel. There is much work to be done; the harvest is plenteous but the workers are few.

Que Dios le bendiga (may God bless you), **Bob and Jan Young**<u>bro.bobyoung@yahoo.com</u>

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