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A quick update....

The last month has flown by, filled to overflowing! Certainly, it is time to take full advantage of every opportunity (Eph. 5:16). Time is precious. Let us use it wisely!

The first Sunday in September, I began teaching the auditorium class at Fort Gibson – "Encountering Jesus through the Lens of Luke's Gospel."

With the beginning of the new school year, I began attending a Tulsa-area Thursday night Bible study with my son, sharing time with men from various religious backgrounds, encouraging one another to be God's men.

A highlight of September was my mission trip to El Salvador (see below).

A couple of days after I returned from El Salvador, Jan and I made a trip to Kansas. I was finally able to visit my sister, Martha, after her two strokes. Thank you to all who have asked about her and prayed for her. Jan and I also attended the graveside service for the inurnment of my stepbrother after his death last month in Florida.

Finally, as an indication that the rhythms of the new school year are underway, the Tuesday morning in-depth Bible study with James Simmons has resumed, with Kelley Benson joining us for a deep dive into the book of Acts.

El Salvador Mission Trip

The Miramonte church is served by three elders and three deacons. I assisted the church when the first elders were named in 2016. The purpose of this trip was to help the church in identifying the next generation of leaders.

Over an extended weekend, I met with the elders; the elders and deacons (pictured below); and some of the men of the church (below right). On Saturday, I met with the young people in the morning and the entire church in the afternoon. On Sunday I taught and preached, and presented a brief seminar

focused on the family. About 20 hours of teaching compressed into 3 days! Pray for the Miramonte church and its leaders!



Fechas del 15 al 17 de septiembre 2023:

Viernes 15: De 2:00 p.m. a 6:00 pm. Taller para servidores varones (jovenes y Maestro expositiona dultos)

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Sabado 16: De 9:00 a.m. a 12:00 m. Taller para Jovenes (varones y señoritas)
Sabado 16: De 3:00 p.m a 6:00 p.m. Taller para toda la iglesia

Domingo 17: De 9:00 a.m. a 12:00 m Clase dominical y culto de adoración De 12:30 p.m. a 2:00 p.m. Almuerzo congregacional De 2:00 p.m. a 4:00 p.m. Taller para la familia.





Upcoming Mission Activities

October – Mission trip to the Dominican Republic for an evangelistic campaign and dedication of a new church building. Jerry Keeley, elder from Fort Gibson, will be accompanying me. Please pray for the advance of the gospel and open doors (Col. 4:2-6).

November – Mission reporting and preaching with the church in Mena, Arkansas.

November – Honduras mission trip, to visit two Fort Gibson missionaries and attend graduation at Baxter Institute. Robby Walkingstick, deacon at Fort Gibson, will be accompanying me.

Through my host congregation (Main and Oklahoma, McAlester, OK), you can make tax-deductible gifts payable to "Church of Christ," memo line "Latin American Leadership Development" [or LALD]. **ALL CONTRIBUTIONS SHOULD BE MAILED TO THE TULSA ADDRESS** (10704 S 89th East Ave, Tulsa, OK 74133).

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(Picture, an overview of the city of Ibarra, Ecuador with Imbabura in the background)
The task is urgent. Multitudes are receptive to the gospel. People hunger and
thirst for the word of God. God's people are seeking encouragement and training in
evangelism, discipleship, and effective church leadership.

When the gospel is preached and enters hearts, a new day is made possible in the lives of believers. Thank you for helping us make that happen as we seek to fulfill God's purpose in this world – to save as many as possible!

When you support Latin America Leadership Development, you are part of a network of Christians committed to taking the gospel to Latin America. Through evangelism, discipleship, and leadership training, spiritually healthy and mature Christians and churches are developed, capable of reproducing themselves. A primary goal is training those who will train others (2 Tim. 2:2), recognizing that the most effective kingdom workers are national Christians who understand the culture and language, are known and trusted, and easily develop friendships and relationships that carry the gospel to their own nations.

