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WORK REPPORT

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Luke 17:10 RVR60

“Likewise, you, when you have done all that you have been commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have done what we ought to have done.’”

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INTRODUCTION

Warm greetings, dear brethren. It is my prayer that you are doing very well. I am always grateful to our God for the privilege of living the Gospel and being able to teach it to others. I always thank God for you, for your love toward my family, and for the support you give us.

This work report covers May through August 2026. I am grateful to God for His help in this process of spiritual development and growth. Always looking to learn, grow, and change. Likewise, preserving, teaching, and applying all of God's counsel to our lives.

In general summary, I mention all the work conducted as a congregation. However, in this report I would like to share with you some of the activities that have been conducted during this period.

General Summary

The general purpose of this year is for us as a congregation to do things out of conviction and love, and not because of a list of things that we simply do on Sundays. Therefore, there are different activities that we look to conduct to create that awareness and desire to remain in continual fellowship and growth. This is to prepare ourselves for next year if God allows.

Sermons:	18 sermons.
Bible Classes:	18 classes.
Wednesday Bible Classes:	17 classes.
Bible Classes for Visitors:	18 classes.
Youth Bible Classes:	22 classes.
Children's Bible Classes:	18 classes.
Visits to Brethren:	4 visits.
Marriage Meeting:	2 meetings.
Women's Meeting:	2 women's meetings.
Youth Meeting:	4 youth meetings.
Senior Adults' Meeting:	1 elder's meetings.
Men's Meeting:	1 men's meeting.
Job Seminar Bible Classes:	4 classes.
Camp Bible Classes:	30 classes.
Videos Recorded and Edited for Social Media:	60 videos.
Fellowship Meals:	4 (1 por month).



Activities Performed

During these months, we have been blessed to take part in different activities. One of them was the Job seminar taught by Brother Hiram Kemp from the Cumberland Trace church of Christ. It has been a blessing to receive a seminar on the book of Job. His wife also taught us a Bible class on the topic "Blooming in Unity." We had several congregations that also joined us during the days of the seminar.



Evangelism, which is the life of the church, is something we always keep monthly as a congregation. I also do this weekly with my fellow minister, Andrés Coto. This is something I am deeply enthusiastic about. Personally, I want to continue improving more in this area. In fact, as part of our study plan, I am teaching a series of lessons about evangelism. This has brought much blessing to my life personally, as well as many positive comments at the congregational level.



As part of my personal evangelism, I had the opportunity to help the church of Christ that meets in Jardines de Alajuela with its evangelistic campaign. It was a blessing to meet new brethren and make contacts for the glory of our Lord.



For us, every activity is an opportunity for evangelism. Therefore, Children's Day, Father's Day, Mother's Day, the end of the year, the beginning of the school year, birthdays, and other occasions are opportunities that we promote for evangelism. We encourage members to bring visitors, we celebrate, we fellowship, and everyone is exposed to the Gospel. On this occasion, we took advantage of Mother's Day. In addition, we celebrated the birthday of my daughter Milena. Thank God, she is now four years old and has just started kindergarten.



We also have a visitation group. I lead this group with my brother Andrés Coto. We always include different brethren in each meeting so that everyone can take part. The purpose of this ministry is to encourage newly converted brethren, motivate those who are going through some tribulation, and encourage those who are inconsistent in the faith. In this photo that I am sharing with you is an elderly sister who must travel four hours by vehicle round trip. She lives very far away, there is a great deal of traffic, and there is no congregation near her.



Men's meetings are also very important to us. It is a meeting where we encourage one another to lead our own lives so that we can serve our families and the church through our example. We would like to see if it would be possible next year to hold an open meeting for all congregations so that we can exhort one another to grow in leadership. On this occasion, we had visitors. One of them was my brother Saymond Gamboa, for whom I earnestly ask for your prayers. We are studying with him, and he is close to the Way, which is Christ.



To strengthen us as married couples, a marriage seminar was held at the church of Christ that meets in Pavas. This is a congregation that trusts our work, and we have a very good relationship and communication. On this occasion, I was invited to present the topic "Love and Submission," based on Ephesians 5:22. I was greatly blessed by preparing the topic and by the fellowship with the brethren.

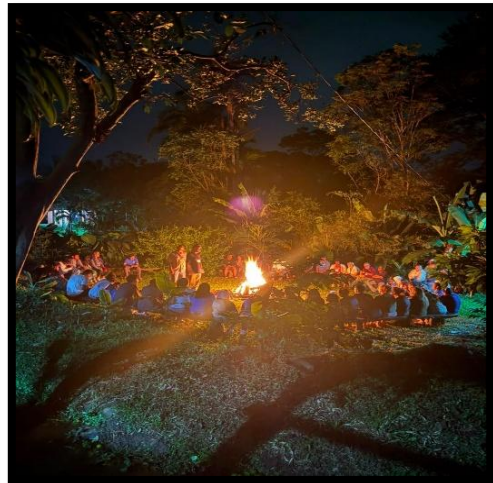


I want to highlight my wife's unconditional support in this work. Without her, it would not be possible. I thank God for the wife He placed in my path and whom I chose. We are very close and doing very well, thanks to God. I always ask for your prayers for us. As with all the activities, her support is unconditional, both in instructing the children and in cooking for more than 200 brethren whom we had at

the camp. This is in addition to her work of more than 12 hours a day at the bank from Monday through Saturday.

About this year's camp, it was spectacular. It was the first time we took the lead in this activity. Last year, we only supported it together with other congregations. But this year, we were blessed to organize it from beginning to end. We had the support of the church in Keller, Warner Robins (GST School of Theology). We had more than 10 congregations at the facilities from Friday through Sunday. It was a very special time.





I was blessed with the opportunity to be invited to Panama, specifically to Santiago. On Friday and Saturday, I preached two sermons, in addition to taking part in evangelism on Saturday morning. On Sunday, I had the privilege of teaching the Bible class and preaching the sermon. Also, on Sunday afternoon, I took part in the evangelism efforts of the church of Christ in Penonomé. Thank God for such a great opportunity to preach the Gospel.



Spiritual Results

Thank God, who allows us to see the numerical growth of the church as well as its spiritual growth. Through everyone's work together, we have been able to see spiritual growth in the church. For example, brethren who were restored in previous months are now steadfast and firm, with a hunger and thirst for righteousness, such as Brother Edgar and his family. He has made himself available to the church and has helped us greatly with cooking, cleaning, and visiting, and is gradually becoming involved in the public service of our worship services.

Also, God has helped us by giving the church both numerical and spiritual growth. In our congregation, we have had two baptisms during these months: Sister Indiana and Brother Anthony. When I was in Panama, there was a response to the invitation on the second day of Brother Harold's campaign. It is my prayer that God, according to His will, will continue to give us both numerical and spiritual growth. All glory to God always!



I also have a personal study that I conduct every Thursday at 9:00 a.m. with my barber and his wife. In addition, I have a study with my brother Saymond and Brother Andrés Coto's father. There is another online study with another family concerning 1 Corinthians. This last one came from contacts we have had through congregational evangelism.

We are collaborating with a sister toward her restoration. Her name is Karen. She has been attending with her parents for one month. She had fallen away because she was living in fornication. Thank God, she has decided to reconcile with the Lord.

I also want to inform you that the name of the church has already been accepted and registered in the national registry. Now, we need to take the documents to apply for a bank account. We are continuing the process to obtain the municipality's health permits. It is very likely that we will have to make a \$4,000 investment for an accessible bathroom. This is difficult for the church because it would mean investing in a facility that does not belong to us. However, the church cannot move to another location because they are very expensive. This facility belongs to a brother of the church who

rents it to us for \$600. A facility like this in the area where it is found costs around \$1,000. Therefore, I ask for your prayers throughout this entire process.

Challenges

Something I always lament is when some do not continue in Christ. We have a sister and her children who did not return. She has had many family problems. We also have an elderly sister. This is the second time this year that she has given up faith. She goes through many tribulations, but she does not approach them in a biblical way. This deeply hurts my heart.

Something else that deeply pains me is a preacher who graduated from Baxter. He was the preacher of the church that met in Palmares. I did not know they were there. The problem is that the brother fell into adultery, but he made this public through social media (Facebook), saying that the churches of Christ have no love and that he is now evangelical. This makes me sad, and at the same time, I cannot believe it. The difficulty is that he has made this public, and you know that many people are exposed to this. Therefore, he misrepresents the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and His church.

Challenges with the church of San José Centro. They condemn us because they teach that preaching schools are sinful; they also teach that we cannot help non-Christians with money from the offering. They visited us at activities we have held, such as seminars or youth meetings, but for this reason they have not wanted to continue being exposed to the Truth. We have requested a meeting with them, but they do not want to meet with us. We are addressing this with God's grace, His love, and His Word. Therefore, I ask for your prayers.

With the congregation in Desamparados. This was a congregation where I grew up and obeyed the Gospel. I have a very good relationship with everyone. However, "marriages" that are not scriptural have been accepted there. They practice children's offerings and special offerings. In the same way, with love, patience, and doctrine, we are addressing the matter. We are waiting for them to give us a meeting so that we can discuss this issue.

In the congregation in Calle Blancos, the preacher has openly said that he is liberal. He has no problem with the use of musical instruments in worship. On some occasions, members of that congregation come and want to bring these matters into ours. With great prudence, love, and respect, we address these situations by expressing the Truth in love. A letter has also been sent to the church leadership asking them to meet with us so that we can discuss this matter.

The difficulty is that congregations such as Desamparados, Calle Blancos, and San José Centro are relatively close by vehicle. The congregation in Naranjo is farther away. However, they cause affliction, sadness, and religious confusion. I ask for your advice on this matter. Also, please keep us in your prayers.

Areas for Improvement

As a congregation, we have had difficulties with recording, although we are doing it with personal cell phones. However, we do not have the resources to do it in a better and more professional way. Also, the congregation's audio system needs improvement. We have a speaker, but it does not have good sound. It is already old. The microphones are not working very well. We need to make an investment in this so that the entire worship service can be heard well.

Personally, my studies are an area for improvement. Although I have made progress in English, as I have already translated sermons and Bible classes, it is my desire to continue preparing myself. I must take an exam so that I will be ready if God gives me the opportunity to continue my biblical studies at the university.



Upcoming Plans

We are preparing for the church's annual seminar, Equipping the Family of Faith. We are very excited about this great opportunity. We are awaiting a response from the local school since this is a seminar open to the entire community. We will have topics on doctrine, ethics, marriage, youth, apologetics, Christian encouragement, children's classes, and preteen classes.



CONCLUSION

I thank God for the spiritual growth of my family and of the church that meets in San José Sur. It is a privilege for me to be able to serve His church. I am very happy for the work that God is allowing me to conduct together with my family and the church.

I am convinced that God is working and has everything under control. I continue persevering in the doctrine of Christ as He expects of me (2 John 9-10). These have been very tiring months, but they have also brought much spiritual satisfaction.

Thank God for all your prayers and sincere support for the cause of Christ. May God richly reward you. On behalf of my family, we are eternally grateful to all of you for everything. We love you in the Lord.

I am open to any feedback and any help to improve, change, and continue growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). Please feel free to contact me at any time.

“And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men; knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance, for you serve the Lord Christ.”

Colossians 3:23-24 RVR60