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Our Pastor Friends and Supporting Churches

Please keep them in prayer as many are going through difficult times. Some have even lost loved ones. Praise the Lord for the body of Christ and that we can lift one another up in prayer.



Grace and New Life Baptist Church, Bogotá, Colombia

A former BEME church start, they give glory to God for their missions conference in August and hearts that were moved.



Marvelous Grace Bible Baptist Church, Bogotá, Colombia

Also a former BEME church start, they are praising the Lord for their recent Children's Bible School and souls that came to Christ.

Pastor Randy King, Oshkosh, WI

One of the BEME-LA board members, Pastor Randy King, gives thanks to God for his granddaughter's successful brain surgery. Please continue to pray for her recovery.

Pastor Ignacio Salazar, Zacapoaxtla, Mexico

God blessed them with a highly successful VBS. It drew 120 children each day, allowing the team to plant Gospel seeds in young hearts. The closing ceremony had over 50 parents in attendance hearing the Gospel message directly.



Pastor Gustavo Gonzalez Artigas, Uruguay (above)

Praise the Lord that Pastor Gustavo was able to attend church on September 7! It was such a blessing to be with church family. He will be evaluated by doctors at the end of September. Let's keep praying!

Pastor Diego González

Guanacaste, Costa Rica

Introduction

Pastor Diego and his wife, Angie, have started a church in Guanacaste, Costa Rica and are thankful for your prayers and support.

Ministry Highlights

Despite it being the rainy season, it has been a great month of ministry. They were able to visit some of the parents of those in the youth group, to share the gospel and invite them to church.



Mother's Day was a beautiful celebration, with 15 mothers, some of them visiting the church for the first time.

Pastor Diego is thanking the Lord that the youth group and young adult group are both growing! In the next two months, the church will be investing a lot of time in the children's ministry to foster growth there as well. Pray for this endeavor to draw more families to the church.

August - Family Month

They have been celebrating Family Month, culminating in a beautiful celebration on the last Sunday of August. In addition to the church service, there was an afternoon of sports, with parents and children participating. Pray for hearts that have been touched by this event and for new salvations to occur because of the messages and outreach.

Prayer Requests

Pray for the parts needed for their car so that they can get permission to use it for the next 12 months. Also, pray for wisdom to guide people to Christ. Funds for a new van have been provided. Pray for wisdom in this purchase.

Pastor Geiner Morales

Puerto Pizarro, Perú

Evangelism

At The Rock Baptist Church, Pastor Geiner, his wife and congregation take part in evangelism individually, as families, and as a church every week. On the 23rd of August, the church distributed nearly a thousand tracts to drivers and pedestrians in the city of Tumbes.

Children's Ministry

The children are faithfully attending Bible Club and Sunday School weekly. On Saturday, the 16th of August, they held a special program in honor of Children's Day. Please pray for this entire group that they will accept Jesus as their Savior and, through them, reach their parents. Note the family participation in evangelism.





Basket of Hope

In August, the church launched a social outreach ministry called “Basket of Hope.” Donations are received and are used to reach out to unsaved friends and neighbors, as well as to bless the members of the church. It is Pastor Geiner’s desire to not only give physical help to the lost around them, but to give them what is most important for their eternal soul, the Gospel. Pray for wisdom in managing this outreach ministry.

Pastor Yonatán García *Rivera, Uruguay*



this to be possible and for her to be faithful in attendance.

Also, María Teresa, who attended another church, was led to Christ by Pastor Yonatán, finally understanding that her salvation is by faith, not works.



Plaza Outreach

At the end of the month, the church held an activity in the plaza of the 33rd East neighborhood. Children and adults heard the gospel, and some of them made professions of faith. Although they did not come to church on Sunday, there were contacts made that the church will continue to follow up on.

New Salvations

Pastor Yonatán is thankful for God’s blessing on their church, and for the support of the churches and brothers of BEME-LA. A new visitor, Gloria, pictured above, came to church after having been contacted during evangelism a few months ago. They went to see her after she visited, and she received Christ as her Savior! She wants to continue attending church. Please pray for



Pastor Natanael Aguilar

Tijuana, Mexico



Church to win souls, going door to door. As a result of sharing the gospel, people have accepted Christ. Some have already attended church.

Van Routes for Evangelism

With Pastor Natanael's longing for the growth of his church, he is planning to start four routes in four neighborhoods near the church. They currently have one route, but would love to expand to four. They are praying for four route captains to put this into action. By the grace of God, and with the help of Brother Emanuel Cayetano, they will start the second route in mid-September. Pray that this ministry will see souls saved for His glory.



Evangelism

Since June 8, 2025, Pastor Natanael has been faithfully pastoring their new church in the city of Tijuana, Mexico. Each Wednesday, (pictured above) their church partners with a group of young people from The Way Baptist



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Dear Friends, Prayer-Warriors, and Supporters of BEME-LA,

Autumn is a time of change everywhere and in everything. Our news this month shows how prayer and purposeful labor brings much fruit. We see the fall foliage changing, days getting shorter (or longer), the construction on the BEME office nearing completion, our personal travel schedule steadily picking up speed, and we continue to unpack and organize in the new mission location (6052 Iris Lane, Rockford, MN 55373). Changes are not painless. Moving on through life brings emotional good-byes, uncertain circumstances, challenging encounters, as well as physical pain. I suffered a pinched neck nerve that brought weakness and shooting pain down both arms during the height of our move. Praise God, I am better! All of us know someone or are personally enduring a season of trauma. How can we navigate in a God honoring way while dealing with pain, debilitating or chronic? May I suggest a few steps to consider?



1. Pray. It's easy to say, but often forgotten or only done once or twice per request before we move on. We may become discouraged because of the initial answer or because we are asking amiss. Prayer is laborious, but should be a ceaseless part of our daily life. (1 Thess 5:17.)

2. Praise. If relief from pain comes, we should be quick to thank and praise God. Not just privately, but publicly. This will open up opportunities to share the gospel with others. But, if relief is not found on our timeline, then a reliance on God's sovereign care should bring forth praise. Paul understood this, "I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness . . ." (2 Cor. 12:8-10). Paul embraced God's grace during his time of discomfort. Hard? Yes, but God's grace is sufficient and encouraging.

3. Proper care. Sometimes we must seek medical care/help or scriptural, biblical counsel in times of pain. If they are needed, this is both wise and helpful in the process of resolve. (James 5:14-16; Prov. 11:14).

4. Proper perspective. During painful or hard times, it's easy to let our hearts become hardened. I am reminded of the chorus by Elaine Hagenberg. "When times are hard, may hardness never turn your hearts to stone. May you always remember when shadows fall – you do not walk alone." God cares and loves you and is acquainted with your grief (Is. 53:3-4; Ps. 46:1).

5. Pursue positive joy. One author rightly stated, "Most people think that happiness is something that happens to them, rather than something they must diligently pursue. Joy comes to those who determine to pursue it, despite everyday circumstances. These minds of ours are like bank vaults, awaiting our deposits. If we regularly deposit positive, encouraging, and uplifting thoughts, we will withdraw the same." (Phil. 4:4).

Let me encourage you to follow these healthy steps, make yourself totally available to God, be completely dependent on him, even through pain. Then, watch as he works in and through you to bring others closer to Christ.

Andy and Jo Counterman, BEME-LA

“Join the journey . . . not just where we've been, but where we're going.”

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OCTOBER 2025 PRAYER CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 Pray for Pastor Counterman presenting BEME-LA in Chicago, IL.	6 Pray for Pastor Counterman attending Pastor's Conference in upper Michigan.	7 Pray for the children at Pastor Geiner Morales' church to all be saved, and their parents, too.	8 Oct 8-10, BEME will be highlighted at a Missions Conference in Sioux City, Iowa.	9 Pray for the Women's Conference at the church of Pastor Ignacio Salazar, October 9-11.	10 Pray for the Biblical Seminary in Cochabamba, Bolivia, with Pastor Samuel Apata.	11 Oct.11-13, Pastor Counterman presents BEME in FL, and has key support meeting.
12 Pray for the health of Pastor Alvaro Espinoza's wife, Rubi, whose illness is complex.	13 Pray for four route captains for the evangelism ministry of Pastor Aguilar's church in Mexico.	14 Pray for Pastor Lukas Gonzalez to have wisdom in either fixing or replacing his car.	15 Oct. 15-21, Pastor Counterman in Chile, to set up advisory team and seek new candidates.	16 Pray for Ester, daughter of Pastor Ignacio Salazar, who is ill while starting Bible college.	17 Pray for God's timing to provide land for Pastor Aguilar's church in Mexico.	18 Pray for more musicians for Pastor Edwin Tobar Quispes church in Cusco, Peru.
19 Pray for follow-up to the evangelistic campaign held in Sept. with Pastor Glenn Ramirez.	20 Pray for wisdom for Pastor Geiner Morales in managing their new ministry, Basket of Hope.	21 Pray for Pastor Jeimy Muñoz as the church had to change locations due to sewer work out front.	22 Pray for María Teresa, a new Christian led to the Lord by Pastor Yonatan Garcia.	23 Pray for Pastor José Carvajal. They need a new bridge into their community because of flooding.	24 Pray for new members Rosa, Fernando and Katy at Pastor Geiner Morales's church.	25 Pray for Pastor José Carvajal to have wisdom in preaching and leading his church.
26 Pray for BEME presentation at Missions Conference in Detroit Michigan, Oct. 26-28.	27 Pray for Pastor Samuel Apata in Bolivia as his church prepares for youth camp.	28 Salvation: Katy, Joel, Raquel, Wiler, Juan, Liz, Dora, Grimalda, and Eloy. (Pastor Jeimy Muñoz)	29 Pray for the construction and physical needs of Pastor Josue Rodriguez's church.	30 Pray for Pastor Christian Sua taking over a church start in Bogotá, Colombia.	31 Pray for the children's ministry to grow in Pastor Diego González's church in Costa Rica.	