

MONTERÍA

Colombia

IN THE MISSION FIELD

We are in our field of work! We flew to Bogota on March 8. Pastor Gilberto Pinzon hosted us for two days in Bogota, and gave me the opportunity to present the Word at the Peniel Baptist Church. Monday, March 11 we arrived at our Mission Field. My family and I have to hold fast from our Lord's hand in order to go through the cultural changes. One portion of the Bible we are repeating in our family devotionals is Colossians 3:15 "Be ye thankful". It works!



Getting Things Done and Prices. As every developing country, Colombia is not the exception. The process of getting things done takes time, do not try to rush them or you will get frustrated. Due to the hot weather (around 93 degrees) things must get done early in the morning or after 5 O'clock PM. Any product imported from the USA is around three times as expensive, so it is better to stick with Colombian made or produced items.

Dayra's School. It took us two weeks to get her registered to start her classes at **The Lighthouse Christian School**. It started with us paying a \$300 registration fee, followed by Dayra taking an admission exam. She scored very high and we were congratulated by some of the instructors afterwards. Her list of school supplies is long with 45 items that she has to bring when she starts classes on April 2. Please help us pray for her as she gets ready to start learning the Spanish language.

The Need of a Vehicle. This month we have been getting around by using taxis, and sometimes Camila moves us around (Camila is brother Jack Sanders step daughter). By using a taxi, the average for a one way trip is \$3.00 but it takes longer to move from one place to another. The price for a good vehicle here is very similar to the prices in the United States. We can get a dependable SUV for \$70 million Colombian Pesos, or \$20 thousand USD. **Would you please consider a one time special offering toward our vehicle?** Please send offerings to our sponsoring church. Thank you.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PRAY & HELP

1. For us to lease an office space in order to start our English Classes and invite people to our services.
2. Pray so we may be able to lease a house. Our Airb&b lease ends April 11.
3. We need churches and individuals to help us with \$20,000 to purchase a vehicle.
4. Maybe you would like to help us with the \$200 Dayra's monthly school tuition fee.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED

First Baptist Church Cave City, AR	\$1.000
Bethel MBC, Bethel, OK.....	\$336
Cedar Grove MBC, Cave City, AR	\$200
Eutopia MBC, Cave City, AR	\$100
Lebanon MBC, Poughkeepsie, AR	\$100
Maxville MBC, Cave, City, AR	\$100
Mission Bend MBC, Houston, TX	\$50
Pleasant Valley MBC, Batesville, AR	\$100
Biserica Semanatorul, Otopeni, Romania.....	\$100
Iglesia Bautista Rio Jordan, Ticul, Mexico	\$50
Minerva Vallejo, Houston, TX	\$100
Erika Maldonado, Houston, TX	\$30
Iglesia Bautista Sinai, San Fernando, Mexico	\$500
Jairo Guevara, Houston, TX	(for chairs).....\$50
Yuneisi Ramirez, Houston, TX.....	(for chairs).....\$50
Cesar Giron, Houston, TX...(for chairs).....	\$85
Silvia Mejia, Houston, TX...(for chairs).....	\$120

ENGLISH CLASES

As of the writing of this report, we have been in the mission field for three weeks. And though we have not been able to start this project as we had planned, we have been taking advantage of every opportunity we have to share and invite people we meet to the English classes Dylan will be teaching. So far we have already a few prospects awaiting for our start date. About a week ago I submitted a request to lease an office space that we could use to hold these classes and to start our services, but so far I have not received any response



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to my request. Not having the Colombian "Cedula" makes it more difficult to get things done, such as leasing a Real Estate property or buying certain things. We will be obtaining this document when we go back to attend the ABA National Meeting.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of you praying daily for us and the mission work here in Monteria, Colombia, and to all of you that have been sending your faithful economic support. We really appreciate your effort!

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