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MISSIONARIES TO LATIN AMERICA

Making Disciples Who Make Disciples

Dear Friends of Missions,

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*Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom,
that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ~ Colossians 1:28*

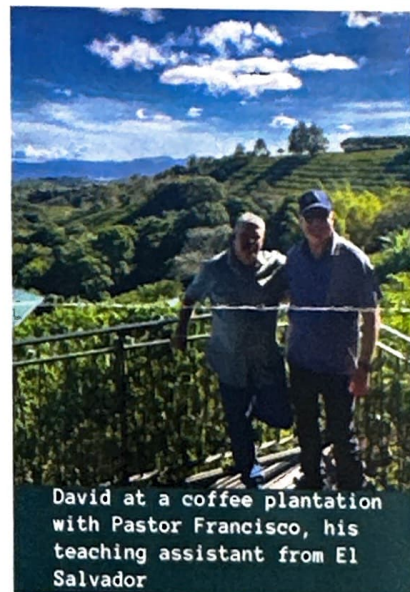
These words of Paul were written to a church he had never personally met—the Christians at Colossae—but whom he knew through one of his disciples (Epaphras) who had led them to Christ. Paul's proclamation of mission communicates what the next stage of missionary work must look like: after we lead people to Jesus, we must teach them, striving to bring them to maturity in Christ so that they, too, may become effective servants of the gospel.

This great missionary truth is what we are all about, and our activities over the last several months have been focused on this. In April, David—in his new capacity as regional academic dean of graduate studies for ISUM-Global—attended an educators' summit in San José, Costa Rica. Missionaries, pastors, Bible college administrators, and professors of over 20 countries from Spanish-speaking world were there. It was truly remarkable to see some of David's current students featured as keynote speakers in plenary and breakout sessions, serving to train others. We also had time to visit one of Costa Rica's famed coffee plantations!

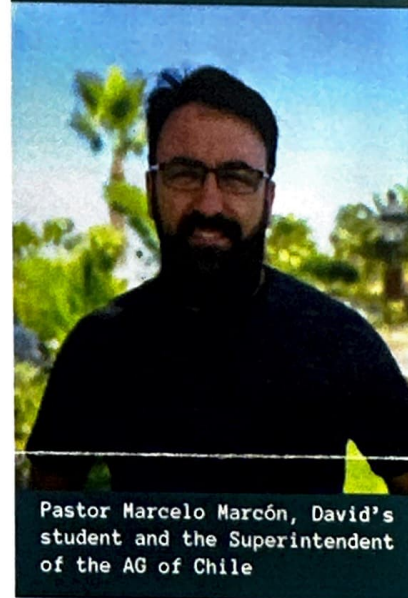
As part of our effort to keep you, our faithful prayer partner and supporter, informed of the nature of our work, we would like to periodically feature one of our graduate students whom we are training for higher-level ministry. This quarter we'd like to feature Pastor Marcelo Marcón. Pastor Marcelo currently serves as the Superintendent of the Assemblies of God of Chile. He truly embodies all we hope for in the next generation of leadership for Latin America: compassionate, creative, spiritually dynamic, brilliantly intelligent, and always wanting to learn and grow in his capacity to reach others. David has been blessed to host Pastor Marcelo in several of his classes, and is honored to be able to play a role in helping him reach his goal of a Masters in Ministry degree so that he, too, can train others per 2 Timothy 2:2. Please pray for Marcelo as he carries out the duties of his ministry!

As ever, we are so very grateful for your prayers and financial support. Our responsibility, reach, and scope of influence is greater than ever before. We are your hands and feet, serving the Lord Jesus in all of Latin America by means of His Holy Spirit and your intercession.

For the Cross,
David & Patti Thomas



David at a coffee plantation with Pastor Francisco, his teaching assistant from El Salvador



Pastor Marcelo Marcón, David's student and the Superintendent of the AG of Chile

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