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Focal Points



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Global Glimpses



BELIZE: In September 2018, a group headed up by **Brother Dewayne Sims** from Morgan, Texas, came in for a weekend crusade in Belize City. We give thanks that sixteen received the Holy Ghost and for many that were healed! This city needs revival and it has begun!— **Dwayne and Linda Abernathy**

FINLAND: Our team in Helsinki focused on prayer walks/drives over the summer and early fall months of 2018, and we have seen spiritual breakthroughs as a result of these endeavors. **Pastor Candace Lindholm** and her husband began a Bible study with a young man who has been attending since March. In October, our focus on prayer culminated in our second annual "Build a Room" prayer seminar, where we had twenty-one in total attendance including individuals from Sweden, Norway, and via closed online viewing. We deeply appreciate the teachings shared by **Rick and Val Hughes** from Oklahoma, who came to Finland with a definite word from the Lord. They reinforced concepts that we believe in very strongly, and we are look forward to how the unified prayers in our region will impact the Kingdom! —**Mark and Glenda Alphin**

NEW ZEALAND: The focus of the church in New Zealand has been "Moving Forward". We strongly believe that now is the time of harvest and we are moving forward in the plan of God. In Hamilton, we have seen a continued significant increase in our Colombian community as we have three new contacts that want Bible studies. We presented one of our ministers with a Search For Truth Bible and challenged him to teach Bible studies in Tauranga, where we are beginning a new work. He has told us that this Sunday a young man wants to be baptized in Jesus' name. We are moving forward in the power of God!— **Brandon and Mollie Borders**

BENIN: At the heart of every strong national church there is a foundational Bible school program. Over the last four years, our focus has been to build a comprehensive doctrinal training and equipping program here in Benin. We are so thankful for every one of our North American pastors, friends and visionaries who have helped in achieving this goal. In December 2018, we will hold our first Bible school graduation in Benin since the early 1990s. With your



help, the Lord has given us the desire of our hearts! Today in Benin, we have a full-time Bible school with twelve current students. We have night classes

twice weekly with twenty-five students. We have a satellite program that meets quarterly in the center zone of the country with thirty-five students. Doctrinal truth will build the church in Benin!—**Michael and Danan Benson**

REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA: God has opened doors for us throughout the Republic of Georgia. We have been connected with groups in two other cities and God is doing amazing things. Recently in one of the services there, we prayed and twenty people testified of being healed! Pray for the cities of Kobuleti, Batumi, Tbilisi and all of Georgia!— **Daniel and Tabitha DeTemple**

JAPAN: **Dr. Benjamin and Sister Rejoice Ahiabor** were part of our church during the 80s and 90s. They were baptized in Jesus' name and received their call to ministry here. They have been back in Ghana a number of years pastoring in the Northern region, a mostly Muslim area. Recently, while they were in Japan on business, it was so nice to have them in service with us.— **Richard and Jean Lucas**



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AUSTRIA: What a wonderful year it has been! God continues to show Himself faithful. We are now settled in and staying busy in continued language study and Kingdom work. We are thankful for the incredible team of support that is facilitating what God is doing, from missionaries and aimers to local pastors and North American pastors, churches and individuals. Truly, we are laborers together in His harvest!— **James and Harmony Pace**

NICARAGUA: Sister Nix and I had the opportunity of ministering on behalf of the Global Association of Theological Studies in Athens, Greece, and we had a wonderful time sharing with all the Bible school and missionary staff. It was an unforgettable experience for



Sister Nix and I, one that we will always carry close to our hearts. What a great seminar! The excitement, the enthusiasm and the interest in such a warm and welcoming environment that just pulled the "teach" out of us, and God showed up in that special way He does! Bible school is the key to success, and we're honored to have a part in GATS Faculty Development seminars.— **Stephen and Yvonne Nix**

PHILIPPINES: As we concluded the 2017-2018 school year at the Apostolic Center for Theological Studies in Manila, Philippines, God began to deal with us concerning the African nation of eSwatini, formally known as Swaziland. We knew of the great need in that country for a strong Bible school and the Holy Ghost kept bringing that nation

and work to our thoughts. After much prayer, fasting, and consultation from Global Missions, we felt that God was moving us to Mbabane, eSwatini. During the General Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, we were officially transferred from the Philippines to eSwatini. We are grateful for the years we spent in the Philippines as AIMers and as appointed missionaries and will always cherish the memories of teaching in the Bible schools and seeing our students graduate and become pastors in that great nation.— **Jonathan and Monica Parker**

SIERRA LEONE: A new semester of Bible school has begun. Twenty-five students are enrolled between both our Freetown and Daru extension. The future is in training and discipling men and women in Apostolic doctrine to reach this nation!— **Rusty and Adriane Riddick**



Projects of the Month

COSTA RICA BIBLE SCHOOL FURNISHINGS

Costa Rica is building their first Bible school facility. It will be finished within three months. They will need the furnishings for the facility. The need is **\$8,000.00** for things like tables and chairs.



To donate to this project please reference **project number: GMGP.3055.2204.**

VANUATU BIBLE SCHOOL REPAIR

The Bible school in Vanuatu is in desperate need a roof on their classrooms. In all classes, there are just under 100 students studying at all levels of GATS. **\$8,500.00** is need to make these repairs. To donate to this project please reference **project number: GMGP.5170.2202.**

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