Missionaries to

# BOLIVIA

May 2024

### Training Leaders (Pastor's Retreat):

We praise the Lord for the great opportunity that He has given us to prepare men for the ministry and to serve Him. We have had several new men that are with us now, that have a desire to learn and grow in the Lord, and their preparation. This is why each year I try to have at least two training times for the guys, so that they can continue to grow. This year we had a Pastor's Retreat where we focused on leadership in three areas; in our personal lives, in our families and in the church. We had visiting with us Pastor Jimmy Condori from Peru that taught and was a great blessing. We had three days of classes, each day focusing on one of the areas of leadership followed by lunch together. We had a great group of pastors and leaders from several different churches and I think it was a very helpful time.

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## Training Leaders (Men's Retreat):

While Pastor Jimmy was here visiting with us we decided to take advantage and have an all day men's retreat with the men from all of our churches. We have never dond a men's retreat before so we didn't know what the response would be. We reserved the camp where we usually have youth camp and planned a day of classes and fellowship all together. We divided the men into three groups; young people, single men and married men. In the morning we had two sessions separate and then one all together with Pastor Jimmy teaching. Then we had a cookout and some game time after followed by two more sessions in our groups and then one last time all together. The focus for the retreat was also leadership and how each group could become the leader that the Lord wanted them to be. We had close to thirty men come and it was truly a wonderful time of learning and fellowship with the men.

### **Moving Forward:**

Now that we have finalized the purchase of the land for the church in Pacata, we have begun the paperwork process to get everything changed over to our ministry. As you might imagine this is a sometimes tedious process and can take some time. We are praying that we can get the process done as quickly as possible, and get things to the place that the church can began to build their facilities. Their plan right now is to put up a metal structure with a roof on it so that they can begin to have services within the next few months. This is also a great challenge for the church so please pray for them. Once again we want to thank each and every one that has prayed and given for the need. It has been amazing to see how the Lord has worked. We also wanted to mention again that if you were already planning on giving, the church will still need help to get their basic structure up with bathrooms etc. so that they can have normal services on the property. If you send that to Vision Baptist Missions Inc. C/O Bolivia Land Fund, P.O. Box 647, Dawsonville GA 30534 we will make sure that it is used to help them get started.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

- 1. Pray that the Lord will raise up leaders among the men here in our ministry both for ministry and strong churches.
- 2. Pray for the new men that we are working with that they will also become the future leaders in the ministry.
- 3. Pray for the paper work for all of our churches that we will be able to get everything done soon.
- 4. Pray for the church in Pacata as they make the transition to the new land in the next few months.



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