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Whole people — Whole Gospel — Whole world — Wholly to please God

AIBI Extension School . . . A Growing Challenge

-Jorge Pineda

Cuba began as our first extension with the selection of four men to serve as the first instructors in a future Cuban Theological Center. These four men are taking an intensive Bible curriculum where they use our courses on DVD's and other written materials. One of the advantages in having our Cuban extension is that our Bible courses and materials are not just used by these four men, but their home congregations as well. Another advantage is that recording courses for the Cuba extension has opened other doors in other countries like Venezuela where the same materials are being used in a school already established in

Maracay, Venezuela.

Venezuela is our second extension that was established by Jorge Perez, an evangelist from Venezuela who is working in Maracay, Venezuela. Jorge is doing an excellent job preaching and teaching in the center part of Venezuela. He established a Bible school where he uses all of our Bible courses. Right now, they have received Homiletics and Spiritual Formation. Just recently, Jorge invited me for a leadership campaign where they expect over 200 in attendance. This extension is really growing!

lish the first Bible center in Bolivia. This is going to be located in Santa Cruz in one of



A meeting in Maracay, Venezuela.

the finest congregation there. We are now in the process of working out a ministry partnership agreement with them.



Meeting with our Cuban extension students.

Bolivia has recently begun to express an interest in becoming one of our extensions in South America by using our Bible and Ministry training materials. Joel Escobar, a son of a fine preacher from Naples, Florida, informed us about the steps they have already made to estab-

Colombia is the last one in this list. A few days ago I received a phone call from Nestor Montes, Vice Dean of the American Bible Institute in Medellin, Colombia. They are considering the start of their own extension program in Colombia by establishing two centers in two different cities. They have a plan to train leaders in Colombia for the Colombian churches and we have the

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training materials, as well as over 35 years of experience in missions, church planting, and leadership training. Isn't it wonderful that God can bring together his people from different places to work in mutual cooperation to expand His kingdom everywhere? It certainly is!

Jesus came and said to them: **"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."** Mathew 28:18-20

Our God has given us a bigger task, which is to make disciples of all nations. As Dean of the AIBI Extension School, it is my priority over anything else to insure that every single step we take will be for that purpose—making and training disciples.

Finally, we would like to ask you in the name of our

AIBI Extension School for two things:

1. To pray for these extensions fervently, so that God may give us His wisdom and spiritual knowledge to deal with this great task
2. To consider the AIBI Extension School as one of your greatest opportunities to participate in the training of hundreds of students from different places who could have an experienced Bible teacher able to teach them by video and other written materials.

Please, consider these two things and when you pray, think about the people in Cuba, Venezuela and possibly Colombia and Bolivia very soon. Help us to partner with them through the training materials that we offer by challenging yourself with a contribution that will make an eternal difference in the lives of many who are looking to have a formal Bible knowledge. Let's make disciples for His glory!

Expansion Through Video Conferencing

In addition to the various extension points which are using our video and written materials, AIBI is also in the process of setting up video conferencing capability through which we would offer our classes live to students at remote locations. We are initially looking at connecting with Hispanic works in Arlington, Virginia and Silver Shores, Maryland, as well as with our sister school, the Texas Gulf Coast Bible Institute, in Houston, Texas.

For a relatively small initial investment, and a small ongoing line fee, we can offer ministry training to students in other areas as they continue in their various ministries. Our students can meet people they never knew. Through the Internet, we can upload or download all notes, tests, power points, and other materials for the students. And all of this without having to travel further than the local church offering the service.

If you would like to learn more about these opportunities, please contact us. We would be happy to discuss this vision for expansion with you further.

CURRENT & COMING EVENTS!

1. This teaching cycle, March 6-31: *Spiritual Leadership* (Kirk McAfee).
2. Next teaching cycle, April 3-28: *Revelation* (Rudy Wray).
3. Next Cuban Seminar School, May 9-11, on the subject of *Spiritual Formation*.
4. New on-site seminars in Venezuela and the Dominican Republic.
5. Possible travel to Colombia and Bolivia to establish extension partnerships. **Travel expenses needed: \$2,000.**
6. Classes at remote sites through video conferencing.

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