



General Update 2026

"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. May my meditation be pleasing to Him; I will rejoice in the Lord." (Psalm 104:33–34)

I bless the name of our Lord for the work He has been doing among us during this recent season. I would especially like to share some of the ministries and initiatives that we have implemented in the church, as well as some of the plans we have for the days ahead.

SMALL GROUPS

On Wednesdays we ordinarily gathered at the church building; however, due to certain circumstances, we were experiencing difficulties in holding services at the church. This led me to consider implementing home meetings instead.

After a period of prayer, I approached several brothers to present the ministry plan to them. These brothers would be entrusted with leading the meetings.

To the glory of God, the brothers responded to the call. At this moment we have four meeting areas: three are in person and one is virtual. The meeting locations are:

1. Higuito (Santa Bárbara – Veracruz). The brother in charge of this area is Brother Frederick Johens. They meet in his home.
2. San Miguel, an area outside the church perimeter in the city of Desamparados. The brother in charge of this area is Brother Rafael Peralta. They meet at his mother's house.
3. El Llano, Calle Sabanillas. This is the area where my home is located, and we meet in my house.
4. Alajuela, Heredia, and Pérez Zeledón. This meeting is held virtually because it is difficult for the brothers in these areas to meet in person due to distance or work schedules. The brother in charge of this meeting is Brother Winston Méndez.



We have seen the Spirit of God move through the brothers who accepted the challenge of leading the small groups, using the abilities that our Lord has given them, and we have also witnessed growth in their spiritual lives.

Now we face another challenge: reaching out to the communities where we are holding these small groups.

Prayer Requests

The ways in which you can support us in prayer for the groups are the following:

- Encouragement, courage, commitment, and spiritual maturity for brothers Frederick, Rafael, and Winston.
- That more brothers would be willing to open their homes and lead small groups.
- Wisdom to know how to reach the neighbors in the communities where the meetings are being held.

FAMILY REPORT

By the grace of our Lord, my family and I are doing well. Our Lord has blessed us with good health, good spirits, and much joy. The children continue to grow very quickly. They are all now attending school. Samuel is in 4th grade, Samantha is in 3rd grade, Daniel is in 1st grade, and Daniela is in kindergarten, which here is called “transition” before entering first grade. Our Father has given us the joy of seeing them develop strong academic abilities.

In Daniel’s case, as many of you already know, he is on the autism spectrum (ASD), and we have had concerns regarding his school experience. However, his teachers have been very caring with him and have greatly helped us through the therapies he is receiving. They have also administered exams and assignments with much patience. Our Lord has given us great comfort in seeing this.

I never cease to thank God for my wife, a tireless woman in her roles as wife, mother, and servant of the Lord. She continues working with women through counseling and teaching, educating and discipling the children, and caring for me so that I may continue serving the Lord and the church. She also continues her piñata business. We are also very happy and thankful to our Lord because my mother officially joined the membership of our church.

As for me, I continue serving in the ministry of preaching and teaching. I also continue collaborating with AMC as part of the leadership team and teaching two modules: Soteriology and Christian Worship.

This year we will have the blessing of receiving two groups from churches in California: Community Bible Church of Vallejo and Grace Bible Church of Roseville. Together we will be hosting a youth camp from July 9–11. I would also like to sincerely thank you, GBC, for the offering you gave to help finance part of this camp. May God bless you and continue to prosper you. I will have the great opportunity and responsibility of serving as the camp director. At this point, we already have 75% of the program prepared.

I would also like to share that I continue studying at SEPE Seminary. Lord willing, I will complete my first year during this term.

Finally, I want to thank you for all the support you have given us through your prayers. This is very valuable and important to us. Please continue remembering us in your prayers at all times. We also thank you for the financial support you have provided for us. It has been a great blessing to our lives. As the Apostle Paul said: *“What you have sent is a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God”* (Philippians 4:18).

I would like to share some prayer requests for our family:

1. Wisdom for our children so that they may continue doing well in their studies.
2. That salvation would come to the lives of our children. Our greatest desire is that they would know Jesus and live for Him.
3. Greater devotion and consecration to God within our home.

4. That the relationship between Carolina and me would continue to grow stronger and more intimate, and that we would continue reflecting the Gospel through our marriage.
5. Wisdom and diligence for me as I continue my studies at SEPE Seminary.
6. Financial stability. At this moment we are without a vehicle, and we have had to pay for transportation for the children to get to school.
7. For the past three months we have been without a vehicle, and we believe the car has reached the end of its useful life. We pray either that the mechanic may find a way to repair it or that the Lord would provide another vehicle for us.
8. The process regarding the house has been paused because the man who had offered it changed his mind. Although he still wants us to continue living in the house, he has not yet decided to proceed with the transfer.
9. In the month of June we will begin discipleship classes for new members. Please pray that our Lord would confirm those whom He desires to receive this discipleship. Brothers Winston and Robert will be leading this time together.



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