

Dear Beloved Family in Christ,



Happy New Year! As we enter this new year, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support and prayers throughout our journey in ministry. It is a tremendous blessing to serve alongside you, and I am continually reminded that our work is a collective effort, rooted in faith

and love for our Lord and Savior.

Reflecting on the past year, I am filled with joy as I recount the many ways God has moved in our midst. One of the highlights was being able to help in teaching and guiding the first graduates of the Christian Ministry Academy.

Your commitment to our mission has been instrumental in making this possible. Together, we have glorified God through our service, and I am excited about the opportunities in 2025.



As we enter this new year, I am thrilled to share some significant advancements in our ministry. I was appointed the dean of the Academy, a role that comes with responsibilities and opportunities to foster a positive learning environment for our students. This position has allowed me to engage more deeply with the student's learning experience. I enjoyed developing individual learning plans and promoting student success. I embraced these challenges and continued to serve with passion and dedication.



“And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;” – Ephesians 4:11-12

As the dean of students, preparing for the school year is exciting and rewarding. My preparation involves contacting past students about reenrolling, as well as reaching out to new students. One of my joys as dean of students is structuring a supportive environment for all students and addressing the unique needs of everyone. I also focus on creating a welcoming atmosphere, organizing, and establishing clear communication channels between students and teachers. This thorough preparation is not just about logistics; it's about my desire for our students to achieve their full potential and make the most of their understanding of the bible.



As we focus on teaching and discipleship, I am reminded of the words of Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." This Great Commission is our guiding light as we strive to educate our students to live out their faith boldly. Our commitment to the Great Commission means dedicating ourselves wholeheartedly to teaching Bible doctrine to our students. This mission is more than a duty; it's a sacred privilege to nurture and guide those who will carry forth the message of Christ. By instilling sound biblical teachings, we are preparing future leaders to stand firm in their faith. Our unwavering dedication ensures that they are well-equipped to disciple others. This commitment reflects our profound faithfulness to Christ's command and our passion for teaching brothers and sisters who will make an impact in their churches.



I am also grateful for becoming a member of a good Christian church. It fills my heart with immeasurable joy and gratitude. The preaching of Christ, our fellowship in Christ, and the brotherly love in Christ, is present in our church. The sense of community is truly uplifting, as we come together to worship, support one another, and make great efforts to share the gospel in our community. The opportunity to minister as a future

pastor is a profound calling that humbles and excites me. It's a chance to share the



transformative power of God's love, guide others in their spiritual growth, and serve with compassion and dedication. I am deeply thankful for this incredible journey and the divine purpose that continues to unfold.

I am honored to call you my brothers and sisters in Christ, and I look forward to what God has in store for us in this new year. Your support and prayers are invaluable as we continue to learn and grow in our faith in Christ.



Thank you for your continued support, love, and prayers. Together, let us glorify God in all that we do, and may share the gospel every chance that we have. Happy New Year.

With love in Christ,
Pastor Fernando Rocha

