

On the Wings of Prayer

“Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the Shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.”

Exciting Times!

We live in exciting times! God is doing great things in our lives and in this world in which we live. Construction on our new IBFI building has progressed to the visible stage, the initial plumbing is going in and soon the foundation will be laid. My thoughts move to the parallels of what Christ did when He laid the foundation of the Church with the Apostles, Himself being the chief corner stone. He is still building this greatest of all works, and has allowed us to have our part in it. Each soul that comes to Christ becomes part of that eternal building.

Missionaries JD and Vaness Young are making an important change in their ministry. They were very successful in Spain, having established the Iglesia Bautista El Faro de Cartagena (Lighthouse Baptist Church of Cartagena) in their time there. Now that the doors have closed to Spain through visa difficulties, they are being led to Costa Rica. Please be in prayer for them that God will continue to use them in a great way.

In Christ

John Peeples

IBFI Mission Director

Psalm 16:11

May-June 2026

* Danny & Michelle Jones (Rio Grande Valley/Mexico) request prayer for Michelle as she recovers from a recent surgery. The Bible Institute has several students preparing to serve God however He leads. The church had 117 present on the church anniversary service in March with one coming to Christ.

*John & Neila Yelle (Brazil) The Yelle's request prayer for Neila. She had surgery to remove the breast cancer tumor. The doctor will be deciding the next course of action in Neila's recovery. Sixty-four attended Easter morning services. Forty-one moms attended the Mother's Day Tea in May. The Yelle's request prayer for the upcoming couple's dinner and Friend Day outreach ministries.

* Larry & Regina McKinney (N.A. Indians) report that they received a van from 5 Acres Baptist Church for the Colville Indian Reservation ministry. The church in Tacoma had an attendance of seventy-two on Easter Sunday. The McKinney's rejoice in the seven that are waiting to be baptized.

*Mark & Tricia Haynes (Navajo Nation) tells of how Lyla trusted Christ through a children's church outreach in a nearby area and of a man who came to Christ while Mark was out of the pulpit and his associate Darryl was preaching. There are 15 churches that they have fellowship with on the Navajo Nation that vary in attendance of 10 to 120. There were a total of 769 in attendance on Easter Sunday combined in those 15 churches.

*Darrain & Mari Coker (Mexico) ask prayer for the salvation of Martin who is family to church members. God has blessed the church and they recently began supporting two new missionary families going to Venezuela and Chile. They are asking for prayer as they begin phase 2 of their church building by adding the upper floor which will include an auditorium and two restrooms.

*Tyler & Mishel Yates (Mexico) are preparing to start a new church plant in the Yucatan. They are seeing spiritual growth and souls saved through outreach and discipleship ministries. Bro. Tyler has been able to visit and assist several area churches and conferences and they are being blessed by this phase of their ministry.

*Melissa Houston (Rio Grande Valley) is preparing her team of workers for the upcoming Vacation Bible School. Please pray for a great turnout of children and for the unsaved to come to Christ.

*True & Diana Hawkins (Brazil) Bro. True has been in Mauaus teaching two courses in the Bible Institute and plans to spend two weeks with the construction at the church in Beruri and then visit and encourage the interior works. God has blessed these works in the Saint Gabriel area (up the Rio Negro just south of Venezuela) with nine salvations and baptisms, thirteen reconciliations with meetings and conferences reaching that remote area of Brazil and into Venezuela. There are new projects in Humaita on the Madeira River in southern Amazonas and in Anori. True also plans to visit and encourage men working with several unreached people groups on a planned trip 850 miles into the interior. These include a group that his father Joe Hawkins tried to contact in 1957. Pray for this exciting work.

*Leslie Priday (Honduras) had successful Mother's Day and Father's Day Sundays. And in-between a wonderful Youth Camp with 51 campers and 3 saved. Bro. Leslie will be preaching a three-day revival in a neighboring city beginning June 19th. He sends his thanks to all who prayed for and contributed to the youth camp.

*Jared & Elizabeth Blair (Norway) request your prayers as they travel to raise their needed support and wisdom as they continue to work on Visa plans.

*Bill & Sharon Smith (Brazil) rejoice in receiving the Titles of two churches they started in the city of Boa Vista. There were around one hundred people in attendance at the 19th anniversary of the Bible Baptist Church that the Smith's started in 2007.