



# Mission Costa Rica!

## Rev. Bill & Aletha Green

*CLIR strikes a sensitive chord!*

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### Marriage, Reconciliation, and Counsel from the cross!

It is no secret that our modern individualistic, self centered society is leaving many lives disastrously ruined. Suicide, depression, separations and divorce plague even the Church in higher and higher numbers.

Many Christian leaders and pastors feel unable to cope, and opt for sending their Christian brothers and sisters to psychologists or psychiatrists - of either a "Christian" or even secular variety. Biblical answers and Biblical treatment are urgent!

CLIR sponsored a **FIVE DAY MARATHON** with Dr. David Barceló from Spain. A graduate of both Westminster Seminary in California and Philadelphia (D.Min), Barceló gave courses morning and evening to groups of pastors and leaders on the nature and content of Biblical Counseling. We were surprised by the tremendous interest and response from pentecostal and evangelical churches. Rev. Barceló has a very



effective style of teaching that left everyone desiring more.

### Pastors' Association continues to invite Reformed speakers!

The San José pastors' Fellowship has invited Rev. Nick Lammé, Rev. Bill Green and now Dr. David Barceló to speak to them - all in the space of two months! Are they beginning to realize that pentecostal theology has run into a dead end? We think this might be happening. **Praise the Lord for the 140 people that David spoke to at the pastors' meeting on Monday, May 27!**

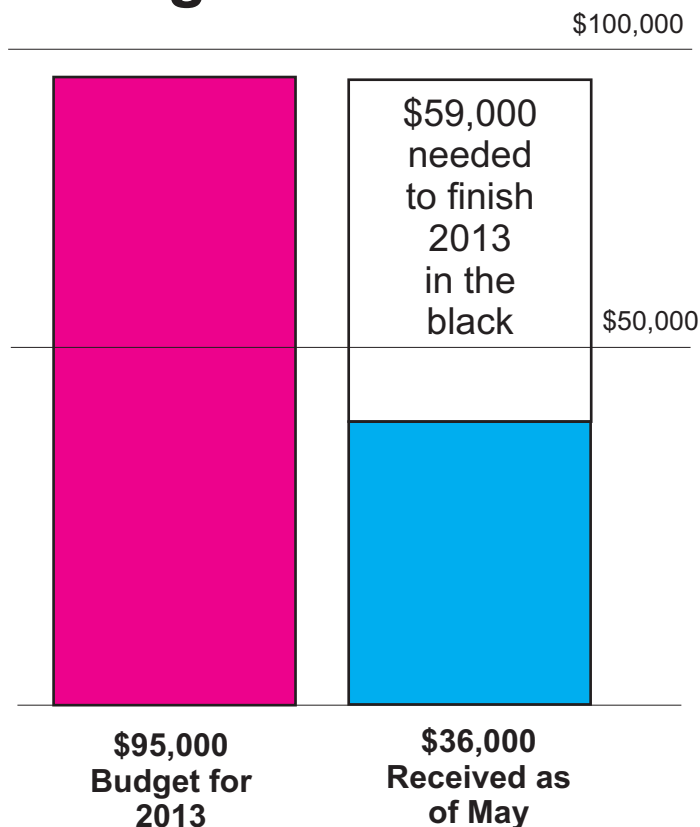
Rev. David Barceló has a graduate degree in secular psychology, as well as two seminary degrees. His broad knowledge of both secular philosophy and Biblical theology, combined with a gift for speaking, has endeared this brother to hundreds in Costa Rica! He will surely have to return in the near future!

**Your prayers are being heard! Your financial support is bearing fruit! Praise the Lord with us.**

### Biblical Counseling course given at our Tepeyac church by David Barceló



# Budget matters



CLIR is almost half-way through the year, but we have not yet received the funds for half of our budget.

Budgetary shortfalls have affected morale and operations. **We have just recently lost our printer, Andrés**, which has caused a major setback in operations. Part of the problem was our inability to pay him a better salary.

After two years of very little machine problems, this year has presented some costly repairs. The **motherboard** of our platemaker went out, costing CLIR some \$3,400 in repairs.

***Please consider CLIR in your giving!***

## What do CLIR funds go for?

We can provide a complete budget if desired. Here we will give some general projects that CLIR funds cover. We are sure you will see that our CLIR administration of money is frugal and effective!

=> **Salaries, full time or part time for 4 people, plus benefits (medical, pension, insurance) and payment to individuals for editing, graphic design, etc.**

=> **Translation costs for 2 or 3 translators**

=> **Publication expenses for some 25 new books a year (we now have 75 titles in print!)**

\* **Paper**

\* **Ink**

\* **Printing plates**

\* **Lithographic solutions**

\* **Cleaning solutions**

\* **Repairs and maintenance**

=> **Postage and shipping costs**

=> **Travel and conference expenses**

=> **Website administration**

## Prayer and Praise items:

1. **Praise for more and more opportunities for the Reformed faith in Costa Rica and Latin America!**

2. **Praise for the visit of Dr. David Barceló that has been a tremendous blessing for many.**

3. **Please pray for the printing operation with the loss of our printer. This is a major setback.**

4. **Pray for families and marriages in our churches that need God's grace, strength and wisdom.**

***Don't forget to sign up on our website for information and prayer items!***

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