

Costa Rica news

**The Greens
Costa Rica**

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Thanksgiving! (Edición especial)

“¡Gracias a Dios!”

How is your Spanish? The phrase above means “Thanks be to God!” As we approach Thanksgiving Day, we certainly have much to thank our Lord for. In fact, this letter can’t hold even a small portion of things we acknowledge that God has blessed us with. But we wish to mention a few main ones here:

Church Family

* Our church plant 3 hours to the north in San Carlos has been solidified more, contacts made, baptisms administered, and Lord’s Supper being celebrated regularly. Praise!

* Our Pacto de Gracia congregation continues to grow, with new members joining. Also we

have SIX couples who are dating, of all ages! And new babies born, and a very nice mix of ages, social levels and talents. Praise the Lord!

CLIR

* We have had a tremendous year of conferences, book publishing and distribution! We have placed special emphasis on Costa Rica for conferences, with very positive experiences.

* Translation and publication of Calvin’s commentaries moves full steam ahead, and other great books as well! Print shop in full operation!

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* Good changes have occurred at the school, in personnel, curriculum, parents and students.

* The new building has been a HUGE blessing - give thanks with us!



A Reformation Day skit by 5th grade. Tetzal appears selling indulgences for the soul of the dead family member. Luther then shows up and preaches the Gospel of God’s grace!

Please remember the Costa Rica Ministry in your Thanksgiving offerings!

Calvin Commentary project - Preachers need Reformed material in Spanish! We have undertaken the task of translating Calvin's commentaries into Spanish. 10 commentaries have already been translated and published, with others ready to print. Please consider helping us with the rest - here are the numbers:

26 OT commentaries - 750 copies each ---- \$208,000
22 NT commentaries - 750 copies each — \$136,200

Youth Christian Literature project - In cooperation with Inheritance Publications, we are beginning a much needed youth literature series, consisting of historical novels of the Reformation period. Many are based on true events.

"Seed money" to begin ----- \$15,000

School repairs - Our grade school building is now 23 years old and badly needing some maintenance and repairs. Our tuition pays for salaries and basic upkeep, but we have some major repairs needed - replacing gutters, cabinets, and conditioning our play area. We are also obliged by the government to put a guard house and guard at the high school.

Approximate costs ----- \$20,000

Importation of a crate - we have an industrial stapler awaiting shipping from Michigan, and will need printing supplies shipped to Costa Rica.

Approximate costs ----- \$5,000

Thank you very much for your faithful support in prayer and giving all these years!

Volunteer teams needed!

God has blessed us with two marvelous buildings that are serving three Reformed ministries: The Christian school, the Pacto de Gracia congregation, and the CLIR printing effort.

Our Costa Rica team and school parents help out with many things. There are still remaining jobs, however that need to be completed, as well as the continued maintenance of a school: desks, painting, repairs, computers, cabinets, etc!

List of urgent tasks to be done at the school / print shop

- ➔ Build a small guard house
- ➔ Finish stairways and ramps
- ➔ Build a place for musical instruments
- ➔ Build / condition a library for high school
- ➔ More!



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