



Costa Rica Reformation!

The Greens
Costa Rica

February, 2023

Up and running - 2023!

December was the month of graduations!

The Costa Rican school year ends in December, and our Christian School (CECRE) had 4 graduations! Kindergarten, 6th grade, 9th grade and our seniors. And we held our ceremonies in our new, beautiful “William Farel” auditorium! Enjoy the pictures!



A huge “Thank you!” for the end of year giving. We are able to fulfill many of our ministry goals because of the wonderful support team we have!

Our new CLIR book store - You can even order coffee!



New and luxurious book store!

CLIR's first book store was in a shed in our back yard (199). The second one was in a classroom at our high school (2018). With the completion of our new auditorium, CLIR at last has a "real" book store! The CLIR team has adorned it with pictures of historical moments in Reformed history, such as the Synod of Dordt and the Westminster Assembly. And there are many other faces of important reformers. We joke with visitors that if you cannot identify all the people, you aren't Reformed and you need books!

We are deeply grateful!

It is the generous giving and much prayer of God's people that has made all of this possible. We are committed to being good stewards of God's resources. Indeed, the bookstore is being visited more and more, and book distribution is going well.

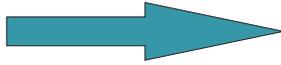
Thank you to all, and to God be the glory!

Update on special projects

Response to our year's end request

The year end giving in 2022 was extraordinary! General offerings were substantial, and some very generous personal, anonymous gifts were received. This has covered some of the requests we made before Thanksgiving Day. The most major project is the front of our Grade School - now underway! We will soon look like a school, and not a garage!

Before



The Grade School building was begun in 1995. The “garage” has served as office space for 20+ years. Generous offerings have allowed us to put a real front on the school!



In process



The parents who have their children in our school don't come for “luxuries”. But it will be very nice to have a finished reception, and a roof over the sidewalk when its raining!



Other activities



The Lord has blessed us with young couples and new babies! We have had a good number of both adult and infant baptisms in the last year.



Christian education starts in the home. Our school provides two “School for parents” events during the year, in which we give “parent training” in what Christian education truly is. At this event, our chaplain, Rev. Donald Herrera, speaks on the theme: “We educate differently”. As you can see, we had a full house!



Family news

We are overjoyed to report that our daughter in law, Amber Green, has seen a significant improvement in her health. Virtually no pain, tumors have shrunk, and is feeling better. She continues various treatments. Praise the Lord with us! Their family is visiting us right now.

On another note, Aletha has just been diagnosed with a lump in her breast that tested positive for cancer. We are just beginning the process to determine just what exactly should be done. We are mindful that we are frail vessels in God’s hands! And we are also mindful that our future is life eternal with Christ, which inspires peace. We will keep you all informed as things progress. Soli Deo Gloria!



I wasn’t able to travel in January, so my CLIR administrator was sent to Campeche, Mexico, Rev. Lester Martínez. Here he speaks to the Presbytery of Campeche. CLIR books were also made available. Lester had a great trip.