

“DO ALL IN THE NAME OF THE LORD”

One verse in the Bible I love is Colossians 3:17, “*And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him*”.

He penned those words after reminding the Colossians that they must set their affections on things above (3:2), that Christ is their life (3:4), that there was a time when they were walking disorderly but now must put off sinful actions (3:6-8), as well as put off the old man (3:9), and put on the new man (3:10). How do they put on the new man? By renewing their knowledge after the image of Christ (3:10), by being one in Christ (3:11), by putting on Christian virtues such as mercy, kindness, humbleness (3:12), by learning how to forgive (3:13), by putting on the bond of perfectness which is love (3:14), letting the peace of God rule in their hearts and being thankful (3:15), and letting the word of God dwell in them (3:16). To me, verse 17 is a summary of all the previous passages. All of that also applies to us. Everything we do or say must be according to what God has authorized through His Son and we must be thankful to God for such a blessing.

We are thankful to God for the blessing of working for Him through the Spanish Bible School. Everything we do and say as part of this work of the Lord is to bring glory and honor to our Heavenly Father. Everything we teach and preach is what He authorizes through His Word. Our mission is to bring the good news to the lost, and edify the saints in every possible way we can. It is not for vainglory, but to glorify Him. We continue receiving emails from different countries in Latin America telling us about their desire to study with us. We also got this message that certainly shows the impact the School is having worldwide,

“I am from Africa, I live in Equatorial Guinea. I want to be fully trained. I have been a denominational Christian for years and I feel like a child since I went to the church of Christ”.

As for updates of the work, we keep progressing in the editing of videos for buscandolaverdad.org. We are visiting Colombia where we will hold the Personal Evangelism seminar that Rob Whitacre does across the US but in Spanish. His workbook, Evangelism Simplified, is being translated by us as well. The latest book of the Digging Deep in God’s Word Bible Study for Ladies by Cindy Colley will be available in Spanish soon. The translation work on the course notes for Galatians and Philipians has already started. In October, I will speak at the MSOP World Evangelism Seminar about the context of preaching in South America. We keep busy, we keep working, but more importantly, we keep thanking God for all His blessings, and you are one of them. Everything we do, we do it with the sincere and humble desire of doing it according to what the Lord authorizes, and we do it with thankfulness. If you would like to know more about this work or would like to become a supporter, please feel free to contact WVBS, the University church of Christ, or me directly.

May God bless you and your family richly today and always!

To Him be the glory!

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