

## ALWAYS ABOUNDING IN THE WORK OF THE LORD

I would like to begin this newsletter by thanking you and your families for being part of our family. We hope you had a wonderful 2022 and that 2023 will be better in every way. One passage of the Scriptures came to my mind while I was preparing to end this year with my family,

*“But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord” (1 Corinthians 15:57-58).*

The last three years have not been easy on anybody. The pandemic hurt a lot of people, whether in health, wealth, or even spiritually, and it is still having effects. December has been a difficult month for our family. My father-in-law has been hospitalized for more than a month after two heart attacks, but is stable, and has taken advantage of his situation by encouraging other patients by pointing them to Christ. Our son is recovering after dealing with kidney stones for several weeks. It has been the longest time my mother-in-law has been separated from my father-in-law because the hospital has very restrictive rules due to Covid-19. But, all of us are grateful to God because we are still alive, and keep seeking the things that are above (Colossians 3:1).

While it has been a tough year, it has been also a very productive year. We recorded 12 topical videos, having 6 of them already been published. We also recorded and published the course on the book of Acts which has 33 video lessons and more than 200 pages of course notes. We published a short course of 16 lessons on the Greek of the New Testament. We were busy during the last half of the year on several projects: (1) a weekly live-streamed program through Digital Bible Study with guest speakers from Latin America and even some English-speaking ones, (2) delivering a Personal Evangelism Seminar to a congregation in Colombia, (3) preparing the course notes and graphics on the epistles to the Galatians, Philippians, and Colossians, which Lord willing, we will record this January 2023. How thankful we are to God for all His blessings, having you as our coworkers, having you as encouragers and supporters, being victorious through our Lord, and keeping ourselves busy in the work of the Lord. Let us never forget, everything we do for the Lord is not in vain. Weekly emails from people asking us for more courses or ways to study are proof that people are searching for God, and we are helping them to find Him. Dear brethren, if you have not helped us to do this work of the Lord yet, but would like to do it, please reach out to us, and we will be more than glad to talk to you about it.

**May God bless you and your family richly today, this 2023, and always!**

**To Him be the glory!**