

Remembering Summer

As a writer, I often find myself searching for the perfect quote or phrase to express a thought or emotion, as some of you may have noticed in previous newsletters or my publications. This time, I stumbled upon a quote from the English philosopher Bernard Williams, who was an atheist:

“September tries its best to have us forget summer.”

However, no matter how hot Texas summers are, I don’t want to forget them. Growing up in Costa Rica, summer was always my favorite time of year—school vacations, visiting my grandparents’ beach property, enjoying the sun, the sea, and the irresistible taste of fried fish. This past summer, my wife and I traveled extensively for the Lord’s work. We attended both Polishing the Pulpit events, where I had the privilege of preaching and sharing the amazing work God is allowing us to do. We visited several Hispanic congregations, and our hearts were uplifted by the feedback we received. Many of our brethren shared how the resources from Escuela Bíblica en Línea have been a blessing to them. We also laid the groundwork for exciting projects and future plans with fellow Christians.

So, unlike Mr. Williams’ sentiment, September didn’t make me forget summer. In fact, it only reminded me how blessed we were during that time, and how God continues to provide. **This September, we recorded 51 videos**—covering courses on I Timothy, II Timothy, and Titus—along with 15 short videos to raise awareness about the many resources Escuela Bíblica en Línea offers to churches and individuals. These will be available very soon.

Messages from around the world keep pouring in. People ask how to enroll in the school, find a local congregation, get answers to spiritual questions, or request study materials. A comment from a brother in Costa Rica, posted on social media a few months ago, has stuck with me ever since:

“It takes effort and investment to achieve this, but it is all for the glory of God.”

We are deeply grateful to God for the doors He continues to open for this ministry. This work demands much of our time, even our “free” time. But beyond that, it requires substantial resources. As our brother in Christ pointed out, this is an investment for God’s glory. Escuela Bíblica en Línea is a non-profit endeavor, and we rely solely on the generosity of members and congregations of the Lord’s church to sustain our efforts. We are thankful for all who support this work, but—as much as I dislike having to say it—we need more help. If you are reading this and have been encouraged to assist us in continuing this vital mission, please reach out to us. As we look ahead to the planning season for the upcoming year, we humbly ask you to consider including Escuela Bíblica en Línea in your congregation’s plans. I would be honored to visit your congregation or have a Zoom call to discuss how you can partner with us in this great work. You can also visit our English website at spanishbibleschool.org.

May God bless you and your family richly today, and always!
To Him be the glory!