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• **In Zambia**, twenty-two students completed two Bible school modules in the city of Kabwe in May. For one week, students took courses on Salvation and Dispensationalism 1. The week concluded with a one-day seminar to prepare future Bible school teachers in the country. GMI team member Joseph Asong traveled from Malawi and partnered with a Zambian pastor, Francis, to share the course materials. These classes followed on the heels of an orientation/seminar earlier in the month in Malawi through which seven new Malawian teachers received their final preparation and were added to the Bible school staff, bringing the number of teachers to eleven.



Joseph with the Bible Class Students

• **Burundi Grace Bible Institute** is expanding its reach! Having already offered the first two of a series of ten Bible school modules in the capital of Bujumbura, it offered its first module in the town of Nyanza Lac in the southern part of the country on Lake Tanganyika in April. The GMI team hosted 15 students who studied the topics of Salvation and Bible Study Methods taught by GMI team members Method Mwendapole and Tom Sanchez. In late May, Method and Tom offered the third set of modules back in Bujumbura to twenty

students who had already completed the first two modules.

• **The David, Panama** church is growing! Comunidad Bíblica de la Gracia (Grace Bible Community) is growing through the GMI team's intentional discipleship efforts. On average, 15 young adults come out each Friday to meet together at CBG's rented space in downtown David. The group is organically growing as attendees regularly invite friends. In recent months, nearly every Sunday morning sees new visitors who enjoy the congregation's family atmosphere.



Youth Bible Study in Panama

• **In Bolivia** over 50 students are taking classes through El Centro Bíblico de la Gracia (Grace Bible Center). While GMI team members Talo Vergara and Brian Abranovich are doing a lot of the teaching, they are still looking for Bolivian Bible school teachers to help carry the load of the growing training center.

• **The EXITE Team** had a wonderful time in Mexico serving alongside the GMI team of Luis and Marcia Coto. Luis and Marcia shared this: "We had the opportunity to learn from this group. They shared their testimonies, helped us with an outreach at a park, and told people about the Good News. They prepared a class

for the kids of the church and bonded with the members. The EXITE team also assisted with some of the construction for the church, including painting, cleaning the patio, and laying cement in the back. We are so happy that they could be part of celebrating the second anniversary of our church." Eighty-five people attended this anniversary celebration. We praise God for these amazing steps toward growing the ministry in Mexico! This anniversary celebration followed a women's breakfast a few weeks earlier which 44 ladies attended.



The EXITE Team in Merida, Mexico

• **Eswatini**, a land-locked country surrounded by South Africa, is one of GMI's newest fields. While GMI team member Simon Mwanamoya is actively engaged in leadership training and church planting, his wife, Edah, is reaching the women of Eswatini through her unique ministries. One of those is teaching ladies how to sew, which the Mwanamoyas describe: "Our sewing ministry for women provides women with opportunities to learn and practice sewing skills, leading to increased self-reliance and the ability to earn an income. Our women experience a sense of community and support, helping them connect with each other and build lasting and strong relationships centered on Christ. Our sewing ministry is providing a safe and nurturing space for women to heal from trauma and develop their faith in Christ alone." Currently, Edah is training and investing in ten women.

• **In Paraguay**, the GMI team and Iglesia Bíblica Bereana (Berean Bible Church) hosted their first Church Bible Conference at a retreat center about an hour outside of the city of Ciudad del Este from May 16 to 18. Special speakers included Paul Craesmeier and Rich Menconi, from Word of Grace Mission, and GMI Operations Director Dwayne Huff. The teaching on "The Unity of the Spirit" from Ephesians 4:1-6 was well received and the "Questions and Answer" discussion times were engaging. The fifty plus attendees enjoyed great fellowship and recreation, delicious meals in an outdoor covered dining area with spectacular views, and even a Saturday evening campfire. The conference was a blessing on every level and is likely to be the first of what the team hopes will become an annual event that brings the church together for fellowship, encouragement, and Biblical teaching.



Those who showed up for the Bible Conference

• **Arriving in Mexico**, Kevin and Beatriz Craesmeier are the newest GMI team members on the field. GMI team members Luis and Marcia Coto were elated to receive the Craesmeier family in early June. They will be a tremendous blessing to the Cotos as they share the burden of this growing ministry in the city of Mérida. The Craesmeiers are grateful for your support, prayers and encouragement over the past year which enabled them to finally reach the field.



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