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GRACE MINISTRIES AROUND THE WORLD

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• **In Burundi and Zambia**, GMI team members led Bible school modules in February to train pastors and church leaders as they teach and guide their congregations. In Burundi, GMI team member Method Mwendapole conducted the third Bible school module in the town of Nyanza-lac. During the week, Method taught about the assurance of salvation. He is encouraged and impressed by the quality of his students as he challenged them to deepen their understanding of God's Word. In Zambia, GMI team member Bill Vinton worked with local pastors, whom he has trained over the years, to offer the second module to 17 students in the city of Kabwe. These courses, built on the material from the first module, enhanced the students' understanding of God's grace and how to live by it. In addition to the lessons Bill developed, one of the lessons was written by a Malawian pastor whom the GMI team has trained, and another was written by a Zambian pastor, a graduate of the International Teachers Training program.



Bill Vinton with the Zambia Bible School Students

• **Christmas Project Update**. One of our 2025-2026 Christmas projects, which is now fully funded, was to purchase chairs for a second church plant in the city of Ciudad del Este, Paraguay. The GMI team in Paraguay is targeting this year to initiate that church plant, having conducted community outreaches for the past several years. One of the outreaches, facilitated by our team and leadership from Iglesia Bíblica Bereana (Berean Bible Church), is a children's ministry each Saturday. The kids from the La Blanca neighborhood are enjoying these new chairs as the ministry year gets started. Thanks for investing in GMI's Christmas projects, making it the most successful year yet!



Kids Enjoying the New Chairs in Paraguay

• **Camp Buena Vista** is where youth from GMI-affiliated churches in Bolivia gathered for a week to be challenged in their faith. The theme was the persecuted Church. GMI team member Talo Vergara invited a Christian worker from Bolivia living in Mexico who is serving a population experiencing incredible suffering. This speaker shared what God has

been doing through his team's efforts to share God's love and the gospel. He has also visited other countries where believers are experiencing persecution. The prayer is that God's Word and stories of God's faithfulness from around the world will inspire and encourage the youth who attended the camp.



Youth at Camp Buena Vista

• **In Malawi**, pastors' wives from around the country attended a one-week conference in the middle of February. GMI team members Joseph and Emmanuela Asong, Sylvia Nyakambiri and Brook Seekins, along with some of their Malawian co-workers, taught at or facilitated the conference. Please pray that this uplifting time together will have a lasting impact on these faithful women.



Pastors' Wives in Malawi

• **The Panama Team** is encouraged and excited about the growth they see in their church plant, Comunidad Bíblica de la Gracia (Grace Bible Community). Recently, the

team began offering English classes, which have been well-attended. New people have been visiting the church regularly, while a key couple has provided valuable leadership for this congregation. The women's ministry also continues to grow. Above all, the team asks that we pray that those who have been faithfully attending the church will continue to grow in their faith, while others will come to understand God's grace and how to live by it.



Women's Bible Study in Panama

• **Arriving in Mexico** in early February, GMI team member Marta Cordero is now with her new team (the Cotos and Craesmeyers). Marta has served in both Bolivia and Nicaragua and will now help the team in the city of Mérida with their church-planting efforts. Pray for her as she adjusts to a new culture, ministry and teammates. Also, pray for her as she navigates the immigration process in Mexico.



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