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New Year—New Skills

To be proactively involved in the ministry of the church ProMETA continues training and equipping leaders all over the Spanish-speaking world, with a view that they will, in turn, train those who are ambassadors for Christ in culture, society, and missions.

As Quique is teaching a course on Procedures of Research, he decided to do something a bit crazy: to use his doctoral dissertation as the textbook, since students are always looking for models to follow. The title of his doctoral dissertation: *Continuity and Discontinuity in Ritual Experience: An Inquiry Into the Ritual Practices of Protestant Believers in Guatemala City*. (The dissertation was translated into Spanish)

Please pray that this approach will motivate our students to write more for the benefit of the church in Latin America.



Luis J., a student from Cuba, participating in a virtual meeting.

Becky's ministry in Guatemala

From January 6-13th Becky was in Guatemala, as part of Woodlands EFC (Stevens Point, WI) Medical Missions team. They served, along with a local association of churches to over 1300 people in the Jalapa area. Becky is very thankful to Woodlands, to all the participants, and to God for the opportunity to help in her own country. She was able to stay in Guatemala for another week to see family and friends.



Becky helped in the triage stage for patients who needed to see a doctor.



Becky had the great surprise that Eduardo, one of the local leaders coordinating the clinic, was a ProMETA student. What a joy to see our students serving the church and its ministry.

Forty years together and counting....

What a wonderful life together!!! It was in 1971, on a Sunday morning, that we met in Mexico City at a Presbyterian church. Becky and her parents were driving from California to Guatemala, and Quique was at a training event for university ministry leaders. That encounter led us to get married on Friday, January 13th, 1978. It wasn't until two years ago that, while visiting Mexico, we went back to that church to thank the Lord for uniting our lives.

We've shared together a very special history made up of unforgettable experiences: two wonderful children (Hector and Liza), a daughter-in-law that has been a blessing to us (Michelle), and three grandchildren that have brought lots of joy to our lives (Lucas, Stella and Axel).



Since we are a bit nomadic, we've lived in three countries, four states in the US, we've lived in thirty houses, and in several cities. Together we have served in church planting, pastoral ministries, missions, and theological education.

All along, we've faced many challenges, sadness, and good-byes. But we've also experienced lots of great times together. We have friends around the world with whom we've come to develop family-like relationships. All of this has given us experiences, feelings, memories, and images that we treasure in our hearts.

We praise the Lord for you, the churches and faithful friends and supporters who have blessed us for more than 25 years as missionaries.

Thank you very much for walking with us this adventure in marriage and ministry.

Prayer Request

Please, pray that our students will have a very profitable experience, and that they are trained to serve the Lord and his church in its ministry to the world.