

# NEWSLETTER

February 2025

Felipe and Majo

## What you can be praying for:

- **Very Low Attendance in January & February** – We've noticed a significant drop in attendance at our gatherings. Please pray for renewed commitment among our members and that God would draw more people into fellowship.
- **Financial Difficulties as a Church** – We have been struggling to make ends meet. Please pray for financial provision and for wisdom in managing our resources well.
- **Fluctuating Exchange Rate Impacting Family Budget** – The recent drop in the dollar's value against the Colombian peso has put extra strain on our family's finances. Please pray for God's provision and peace as we navigate this challenge.
- **Encouragement & Guidance for Our Family** – We are facing several important decisions and need clarity from the Lord. Please pray that He would lead us and fill us with peace.
- **Wisdom in Leading the Church** – As we seek to shepherd our church according to His will, we ask for prayer that God would guide our leadership and give us strength for the road ahead.
- **Strategic Partnerships for Ministry** – We are actively seeking churches and individuals to partner with us in ministry this year. Please pray that God would bring the right people alongside us to support and encourage the work He has called us to.



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## ***What we've been up to***

### *Isabela's Send-Off to Israel*

This month, we had the joy of sending off Isabela to Israel, where she will be training in missions over the next several weeks alongside Mateo. It's an exciting season for her, and we are confident that God will use this experience to deepen her faith and equip her for future ministry in our local church. Please keep her in your prayers for safety, provision, and spiritual growth.



## *Persevering Through Difficulties*

The past couple of months have been challenging, but we continue to hold fast to God's promises. From personal struggles to church-wide obstacles, we are pressing forward with faith, trusting that God is at work even in the midst of hardships. Your prayers and encouragement mean so much to us during this season!





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## Visiting Dad in Santa Marta & A Time of Rest

We were blessed to take a short trip to Santa Marta to visit Dad and enjoy a few days of rest. It was a refreshing time to reconnect with family and find renewal in God's presence. These moments of stillness remind us of the importance of resting in Him, even in the busiest of seasons.



## SUPPORT US FOR OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISING TRIP!

**We are raising \$2.500 USD for our fundraising trip in April 2025**

This will cover the cost of plane tickets and expenses for 3 weeks, as we visit our supporting churches and two new churches that are interested in supporting us next year!



## Planning & Fundraising for Pipe's Trip to the U.S.

We are in full preparation mode for Pipe's upcoming trip to the U.S. in April! This trip is an important opportunity to build relationships with churches in Memphis, Chicago, Miami, and Washington, DC. Please pray that we can secure the necessary funds and that God opens doors for new partnerships that will help sustain our ministry.



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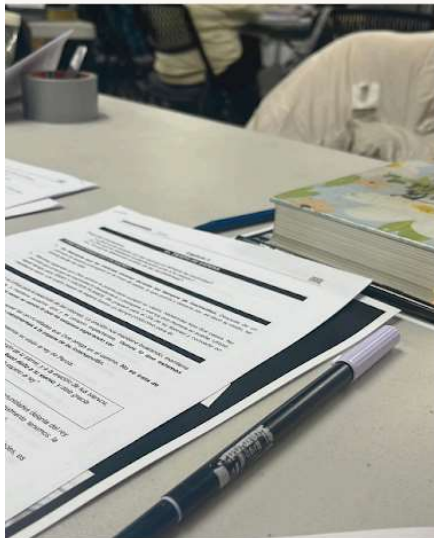
## Preaching, Discipling, Worshipping, Repeat!

Our daily rhythm continues to revolve around persevering, discipling others, and leading in worship. It is a joy to serve in these ways, and we are trusting God to continue strengthening us for the work ahead. Thank you for being part of this journey with us!



## Kicking off our third year in Basileia Ministry Training

In December we graduated from the main training portion, which was two years, and we have now started Third Year, which is focused specifically for leaders. It is a smaller group of people, much deeper and intense training and we couldn't be happier. We have had four classes so far and we have been challenged in every way regarding our ministry. Please keep praying as we continue to get training to serve better and learn more about Jesus.



***Thank you for standing with us in prayer and support! We are grateful for each of you and look forward to sharing more about what God is doing in the coming months.***



# DONATION INFO

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