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Dear Friends in Christ,

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Greetings once again from Guatemala City, as they say here, “The Land of Eternal Spring”. The reason for our spring-like weather is because we’re living in a City in the tropics that’s 4,900 feet above sea level and our average temperature all year is 77 degrees (no need for heating nor AC). But alarmingly, Guatemala City has one of the worst homicide rates in all the world and around 90 percent of the homicides remain in impunity. Its sad that the police department is so corrupt that very little gets done. The only cure for this endemic problem: spreading the Biblical Gospel message everywhere!

Despite the fact that Guatemala during this Pandemic is a lot better off than many other countries in the world we still have strict restrictions on meeting together (we can only have 45 people in our sanctuary at one given time even though we have a room that seats 400 people in attendance).

One of the biggest blessings we have received this year is the special ordination service we had in our “Jesus Christ Saves” Baptist Church on Saturday April 24, 2021.



With the vote and authority of our “Jesus Christ Saves” Baptist Church, five of our national pastors were called to form an ordination council (Rev. Walter Morales, Rev. Victor Bin, Rev. Cesar Soto, Rev. Luis Abad and myself). We reviewed and examined (Photo to the left): Edgar Rivas, Leonel Perez, Robin Cifuentes, Julio Vivar and Mario Merida for several hours and recommended these faithful men to our church for ordination and at 5:30 pm the same day we had a wonderful Ordination service.

These five faithful brothers were approved because they not only are graduates of our Bible Institute but, they have been preaching and serving in five different churches that we have! Please pray for these new national pastors and their families and that God will use them in a wonderful way!

Yours for the souls of Guatemala,

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