

January/February 2026

Dear Pastors, Churches, and Co-laborers,

Greetings from sunny Costa Rica! We are right in the middle of our summer (dry) season here. What a blessing it has been to begin 2026 with great anticipation of what the Lord will do in our midst.

As a church family, we started the year by sharing our annual theme, **“Committed.”** Our theme verse for the year is Proverbs 16:3: *“Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.”* We were encouraged to begin the year by hosting a Pastors’ meeting here in Atenas. National pastors and their wives traveled from the capital to spend a day of fellowship and encouragement. It was a joy to provide them with much-needed resources in Spanish, including discipleship and Sunday School materials. Please pray for us as we continue with a strong burden to help and minister to national pastors and their families. Our desire is to be a source of encouragement and blessing to them.

During the month of January, our church focused on being committed to God in every area of life. In February, we are continuing with a series on being committed to our families. As we reflect on 2025, we are deeply thankful for the victories the Lord allowed us to experience here in Costa Rica, and we look forward to serving Him with an even greater commitment in 2026.

We are also thankful for new families the Lord has added to our church. Alex and Jennifer recently joined us. They are from Panama and currently work here in Costa Rica. This young couple has two small children and has shown a genuine eagerness to learn and grow in the Lord.

Please continue to pray with us as we desire to see the church grow—not only numerically, but most importantly spiritually. Atenas is a challenging city, with the majority of the population being Catholic. Even so, we serve a great God and remain grateful for how He is faithfully at work here.

Thank you for your faithful prayers, encouragement, and support of the ministry. We truly covet your prayers and are trusting God to do great and mighty things in this new year.

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