

Morales Memo

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Training the untrained

An unreached people group is generally classified as any ethnic population with a Christian percentage of less than 2%. While numbers are used as a standard and we need to push into those with less than a 2% level, those at 3% or more still need the support of the church with discipleship and training.

One example of this is the Ngöbe-Buglé people. They live in the mountains of Panama and are the largest indigenous group south of Mexico, with an estimated population of 300,000. They are given the lowest paying jobs in the country, and are seen as a lower class of people.



Decades ago there was a huge push in the missions community to reach the Ngöbe. However, many organizations pulled out once the 2% mark was reached. The result was a vast indigenous community with Christians and pastors that had very little understanding of Scripture. Because of the high level of illiteracy, many began mixing ethnic religions with Christianity. Now there are countless empty church buildings, pastors with twisted messages, and a misunderstanding of the things of God.

In response to this great need, we will be serving as Directors of the new Assemblies of God Bible School in the Ngöbe-Buglé community. With the Lord's help, we anticipate starting this July with over 100 pastors and leaders studying in three study centers. Please pray for this new Bible School and prayerfully consider being a part by sponsoring an active pastor or new minister with a \$200 annual full-tuition scholarship.

Reaching the unreached

As a part of a regional initiative, we will be serving as Missionary Advocates in Panama for Unreached People Groups (UPGs). Latin America Caribbean has 405 UPGs, with an estimated population of over 16 million. Significant opportunity exists to serve and minister to UPGs through education and training. In Panama, there are 32 people groups living in the country - Panamanian, indigenous, Chinese, Arab, East Indian and others - some unreached and others under-reached.



We are presently mentoring and advising a wonderful couple that has been appointed as missionaries of the Panama Assemblies of God. They will be serving with *Live Dead Arab World*, as part of a multi-national church planting team among unreached people groups in North Africa. Please pray for them as they raise their prayer and financial support to leave for the mission field. Also, pray that other Panamanians would respond to the call and go to reach the unreached peoples of the world.



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Serving in Panama

Pray with us for:

- Revival in the Assemblies of God of Panama
- Receptive hearts to the Gospel, especially among indigenous peoples, Chinese and Arabs
- Spiritual growth in the lives of new believers through local church discipleship
- Increased enrollment in the Assemblies of God Bible School
- More Panamanians that respond to the call to ministry, especially to foreign missions
- God's wisdom and direction
- Divine protection as we travel to different areas

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