Mission Update from Missionary Jung Cheol Kim in Columbia, June 12, 2018

Dear Pastor Buck.

Shalom, I pray that peace be with you.

My family including myself, the seminary, and the students are all well and we are grateful for your support.

Two years ago, I came to Colombia with nothing but with faith. When I look back, God has provided everything in need. Praise Our Lord's Grace and Mercy.

15-20 students are gathering and they are eager to learn more and more about God's words. The lectures are held Monday thru Friday from 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM. Sunday worship service starts at 10:00 AM.

Each day I teach different subjects:

Monday: Exodus Tuesday Romans Wednesday: Revelation

Thursday: John

Friday: Practical Theology, Preaching, Reading Bible, etc.

First time, they had difficulty understanding God's words but now they are getting more knowledge.

Every Saturday we go out in Bogota or suburban area to spread God's words and once in a month I send out our students to rural area as well. We preach and baptize Deaf people who do not know God. It has been difficult to collect funds to buy a car so we are renting each trip. During the summer, we will reach out further and for a longer period. Please pray for the mission trip. The funds you provide will be used for this trip and the students who cannot afford to pay seminary expenses.

Colombia is three times larger than Korea but has only a few Deaf churches and Deaf pastors. There are so many Deaf people out there waiting to hear God's words. Please pray that more Deaf people can hear God's words not only in Colombia but also in all over the Latin America.

We are planning to have pilgrimage to Israel in autumn to help students understand the Bible better.

Also, I can only stay in Colombia for 180 days during the calendar year with my tourist visa. I tried to find many many ways to obtain missionary visa but failed. I'm still looking for other ways. Please pray for my visa.

I share my prayer requests as follows:

Pray for Deaf students so that they can spread God's words

Pray for the seminary

Pray for my health (both spiritually and physically)

Pray for my visa (long-term visa is needed to stay in Colombia)

I will keep praying for you, your family and your mission fields.
Thank you.
In His Love,
Jung Kim