



# Nacho Family Ministry Update



Dear friends and supporters,

We hope pray that this update finds you well. Thank you for your continued prayers and support our the work God is doing in Latin America through theological education and academic discipleship. We believe that this years courses will be very life giving to our students.

A lot of the teaching we do is online. Just the other day I overheard David saying, "The reason Pharaoh killed only the baby boys is because he feared one day they would pose a military threat." Last week he started teaching a course that explores the book of Exodus as a framework for understanding God's redemption and the life and witness of God's people. This story of a strong empire threatened by a growing marginalized population helps us understand who God is and how he acts in our circumstances. It is a gift for us to work with students to allow those truths to capture their hearts and imaginations. We are excited by the challenge God has given us of fostering mature

## **Visit to El Salvador**

In January David traveled to El Salvador where he was invited to be the speaker for the National Evangelical Assembly. He spoke on Ephesians: Clues for radical discipleship in Latin America. It is exciting to see how CETI is becoming a growing resources for churches in El Salvador and Guatemala.



## Creation Care

We continue to grow in our practice and theology of care of God's creation. The move to Costa Rica has encouraged us in this exploration. We are hoping to open new connections with local churches and in global discipleship around this theme in the coming year.



### Prayer!

- Continued and deeper connection to the local church here in Costa Rica
- Getting our permanent residence visa, we hope to present in these next two weeks!
- CETI faculty, we have undergone restructuring as an institution and hope that can make our work more productive and strategic as David concentrates on his role of Academic Dean
- Gratitude that the kids have begun a new school year and are enjoying their friends and routines here.

Last year David taught a few new courses which we call open courses. These classes are available to people even if they are not pursuing a master degree, and have helped students receive resources and biblical understanding for the faith. The themes explored were: Theology as Praxis; Ecclesiastes, Latin American popular wisdom and the meaning of life.

For the master level David taught: Church (Canada), and Narrative theology (Columbia, Bolivia and Brazil. Suzannah taught Spiritual theology and discernment (Bolivia). We are excited for the courses for 2018.



At our neighbour hood park with the kids

Please, prayerfully, consider supporting us for the first time or increasing your regular support.

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