



Our Mission:

The Biblical Institute of Central America was established in 1998 with the mission of training evangelists across Central America. In 1998, the first campus was established in Honduras and then in 2004, the second campus in Guatemala.



The goal of the Biblical Institute of Central America is to be rigorous and passionate about training evangelists who are well-prepared and strong in sharing the gospel. The mission is straight from the bible... "go and make disciples of all nations" (Matt 28:18). For the glory of God, BICA is recognized in Central America as possibly the most influential in saving souls and training evangelists in the churches of Christ. These people are studying with and training the members of the church to know how to effectively evangelize to the lost. Only through the work of the students of our institutes, each year we baptize more than 1,500 people.

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What is unique about BICA?

1. We train missionaries that in the two years of preparation, will develop an extraordinary capacity and passion to convert the lost. Each student in his/her two years of training has the experience of presenting more than 700 Bible studies.

2. We send to the mission field, sustainable evangelists that will preach at least 40 years without relying on foreign support. We are not against support but we realize it could be unrealistic to find support for almost 800 graduates from our institutions. Therefore, we teach them to have ministries that are self-sustainable by providing them the capital for the start of their businesses when they graduate.

3. We are a school with low costs for training each student. We are positively influencing the growth of the churches of Christ in Central America and the establishment of new churches of Christ.



What is our current need?

2017 looks like it will be an amazing year for BICA... and we are wanting more churches to be involved in this mission! Next year, we want to enroll more students in both of our Guatemala and Honduras institutions. Currently, our two schools have 70 students. The cost of 1 student in our school is \$400/month and the cost of a student, who is married, is \$560/month.

Additionally, there are more opportunities opening for saving souls across Central America and the Caribbean (Cuba) . In January, we explored options to establish a school in Costa Rica. There are very few churches in that country and after meeting with the ministers of the churches of Christ in Central America, there is a great need for a Biblical Institute like BICA there! The church in Costa Rica is the weakest in all of Central America... *we want to change that!* We believe it is God's will to prepare and send Costa Rican evangelists to evangelize Costa Ricans inside their own culture.



We need to find sponsors who identify with those who most need the gospel (we believe it is Costa Rica). We want to start BICA Costa Rica first with 10 students. Our basic budget for that includes: salary of 4 staff members, housing for the institute and all other expenses related to the institute will total at \$10,000 per month.

Our other option is to establish a new school in Cuba. We are planning to travel to Cuba in April to explore the island and see how we can start a BICA there! We will have a meeting with the preachers and church leaders to ensure we have their support.

In BICA, we love to oversee and be transparent. So for that purpose, we have an overseeing church for each institution. Each overseeing church is valuable and vital to each institution by supporting 50% of the budget of the school. If you can cover more than 50% of our budget for our dream of new schools in Costa Rica or Cuba, you could also be honored as the overseeing congregation for the institutes in Costa Rica or Cuba! What a blessing this would be for BICA!

However, if you wish to sponsor 1, 2 or 3 students in our currently schools or the new schools, this also will be a true blessing for sharing the gospel of Christ.

Many Christians in Central America and the United States are praying for this project. We hope that your response to our request will be positive, and together we will carry out God's greatest dream: THE GREAT COMMISSION!



Thank you for this opportunity to share a little bit about BICA with you! I am so happy that you and your church have a heart for missions and to serve the Lord. I look forward to hearing from you soon! I would like to schedule a time to present all of BICA information to your Missions Committee and shepherds

¡Muchas Gracias!

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P.S. I would also love to include you to receive our monthly newsletter full of updates! Send a request via email to robertojr.bica@gmail.com for monthly updates. Stay tuned for those.