

# REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2007

February 2008

My activities on Sunday: I was in charge of opening and closing announcements and took part in every act of worship.

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Sunday the 23rd I preached at Palo Verde, at their invitation.

My work on the street this month was dedicated to visits with contacts because of the pagan parties of this month and the craziness of the people doing their shopping. Handing out tracts was not at all fruitful.

Below I want to give a brief summary of the work and its results in the year now ending.

In Jan. our sister Francisca was baptized. She is the wife of Brother Victor Aparicio, and both were members here until May. At that time they placed membership with the Palo Verde church since it is much closer to their home.

In Feb. I prepared for a Gospel meeting about God's plan to redeem man. Ken Craig, from Birmingham, AL preached and Gregory Roark translated. Also during this month a sister named Angelina placed membership with us. She came from the Palo Verde church, citing the ease of access and transportation. Right now she has fallen away—we visited her to encourage her to return but she informed us she is meeting with a Pentecostal church and is happy there.

In May Sister Luisa was restored. She fell away near the end of 2006, saying she was confused since she was visiting a number of different denominations. After I visited her a number of times and the visits of other brethren when we encouraged her and cleared up her doubts she began meeting again and has remained faithful until now.

Sunday June 3rd sisters Ana and Gabriela (mother & daughter) were baptized. I visited them one day a week for approximately 4 months, studying the Bible with them. From the beginning until now they are members of the Palo Verde church, since downtown is so far from their residence—they live in the city of Guatire, about 30 km. away. They also have to depend on public transport, which further complicates everything.

In August I visited the church in Puerto Ordaz and preached for them. Also during this month we placed a newspaper ad that ran 4 months in one of the newspapers with national circulation, inviting people to study the Bible by means of a correspondence course. We had very favorable results regarding people who asked for the course, both at the national level as well as locally. Right now I visit 3 people as a result of this advertisement.

In September 2 sisters from the church that meets in El Silencio, an area downtown, after visiting for a month placed membership with us, citing the fact that they meet in the afternoon and that area is somewhat dangerous at night. They are Margarita de Gonzalez and Ana Gabriela, mother and daughter. You need to know that church in El Silencio is of a liberal tendency with many doctrinal errors. We are helping these sisters with teaching from the Bible to correct these errors.

On Sunday, the 25th of Nov. a sister named Jenny, who had been visiting us frequently, placed her membership with us. She is from the city of Coro, in Falcon state, and was a member of the church there. Some of our members are related to her.

Right now I have 7 contacts, which I visit one day a week and study with them, even though they have not visited the church, but they do show good interest in the things of God. The church now has 17 members. In one of the services where all were present toward the end of Nov. we summarized what had been gained for the work here and I encouraged them to try harder and be involved more directly in the functions that are ours as a church and as members of the body.

As usual and it always will be receive my most fervent thanks, as well as my prayers on your behalf to our Heavenly Father, my beloved brethren.

May God bless you all.

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