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*cuánto?*

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**AUGUST 23**

Evangelism Conference -  
Menifee

**SEPTEMBER 20**

Evangelism Conference -  
Gateway

**JUNE 3**

Summer Advance Classes  
Begin

**OCTOBER 16-18**

CSBC Convention

**NOVEMBER 3**

Golf Tournament

**DECEMBER 8**

IESBA Christmas Dinner

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## **DERYL LACKEY**

### **DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS**

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We continue to hear amazing reports from many of our churches regarding attendance, and of greater importance, first-time professions of faith and baptisms. There appears to be a real openness to the Gospel at this time. This month I would like to share with you one of our most impactful ministries and a need that has arisen from it. Years ago, we partnered with Gateway in the Advance program. A Biblical and leadership educational program in which students can earn a certificate in various programs, which can be used to assist them if they choose to attend Gateway in a degree program. (We have some students who have taken advantage of that already.) The classes we offer right now are. We are currently offering classes here at Gateway, (on Tuesday nights we take up the entire fifth floor), Anaheim, Fontana and a few online. Next semester we are adding a location in Menifee. For the last 2 to 3 years, we have allowed 12-15 pastors residing in Mexico to take courses. We expect that number to continue to grow to 25-30 this year. We then were contacted by 10 pastors in Cuba, who somehow heard about Advance, that expressed their need for theological and leadership education as well. They will start next semester, and for them the classes will run from 9:00 p.m. to midnight in their time zone. This has been an amazing ministry, it is truly impacting churches, and Gateway has been an great partner. Here is the need, we charge right at \$220 per course, which is a very fair rate for pastors and leaders living here. However, if a pastor lives in Mexico or Cuba, that is extreme. Our approach is to charge them a rate that is apportion to the economy in which they minister. Basically, we need to raise \$175-\$200 per student who live in those two countries. That comes out to about \$6000/\$7000 per semester. We have some partners who have helped, our students here in Ontario have made efforts to help, yet as the ministry expands so does the need for scholarship money. If you or your church feel led to help us in this manner it would be a great investment of your resources. Please let us know or make sure we know the gift is for ADVANCE, however you send it. One thing I have been made aware of in all of this, spiritual leaders who do not have access to training, highly value any theological and leadership training that they can attain. We want to make sure that it is presented in a manner that is both theologically sound and practical when it comes to their ministry settings.



## **JONATHAN DE LA O**

### **ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS**

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*Romans 12:4, "For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function."*

When I was a teenager Jeff Dillon, the high school Sunday school teacher at Eleventh Street Baptist Church, did a small exercise with the class. He passed out a sheet of paper with what appeared to be the outline of a human body. It emphasized different parts of the body and our task was to go around the room and designate the parts to individuals in the class. It was really nice to hear the affirmations across the room as some were described as the arm, others as the eye, and so forth.

After 9 months in this role, visiting churches, meeting pastors, and serving alongside lay-leaders and members, I have realized that this simple exercise can extend to our churches. I've visited small churches and large ones, one's that are over 50 years old and one's that are only 50 days old, one's that start at 9:00 am and others that start at 1:15 pm, ones that meet in a shopping center and others outdoors in a ranch-style setting. From Yucca Valley to Chino, Highland to Murrieta, I can confidently say that each is "fearfully and wonderfully made".

Each church and member of the body of IESBA, but most importantly the Body of Christ, matters. Each church has its role, purpose, and value in the Kingdom. We cannot do His will and work without His Bride. Thank you all for covering the areas where the rest of us lack. Thank you "feet" for taking us to places where we could use our "hands". Thank you "legs" and "arms" for lifting the rest of us higher than what we could do on our own. Thank you "mouth" for shouting to everyone that Jesus is Lord and Savior. Thank you to the "eyebrows" for protecting the "eyes" from the spiritual "sweaty" attacks in order to have a vision for the future. Thank you churches, you all matter.





**BRUCE HITCHCOCK**  
**CHURCH GROWTH STRATEGIST**

**Part 5: Sin's SOLUTION**

*But, the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23b).*

Satan does not love us. In fact, he hates everything in creation. As a result, society doesn't care for us either. The world tolerates religion in general. Many world governments now control the religious denominations in their countries.

We seem to be losing the battle around the world. Even in this country, the number of practicing evangelical Christians is plummeting. The solution is simple: evangelism. Fundamental Christianity has dropped the ball. God expects us to bear fruit, and *the fruit should remain* (John 15:16).

We were to go: *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age* (Matthew 28:19-20). To win the battle against unbelief, we must get into the war. No conflict is more important than the salvation of souls. It represents one of the reasons God saved us.



**JUAN SANTOS**  
**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

"Cada uno según el don que ha recibido, minístrelo a los otros, como buenos administradores de la multiforme gracia de Dios." (1 Pedro 4:10)

El Señor Jesucristo vino a éste mundo a servir, y éste debe ser nuestra actitud hacia los demás. Muchas de nuestras Iglesias Hispanas han mostrado la actitud de servir con amor en los muchos eventos que hemos tenido. 24 Iglesias Hispanas de nuestra asociación colaboraron para el Gran Avivamiento en la Conferencia para Mujeres el mes pasado. Dios ha empezado un Gran Avivamiento en nuestra asociación y comunidad. Sigamos orando uno por el otro, colaborando y sirviendo juntos en el reino.

Es un privilegio para mí servir junto a todos ustedes y la asociación esta aquí para servir y caminar junto a ustedes.

**Próximos Eventos:**

**Desayuno para pastores**

Sábado 31 de Mayo. 9am-11am, Iglesia Esperanza en el Valle, 1480 N Kirby St. Hemet, CA 92545

**Conferencia Para Hombres**

Sábado 28 de Junio 9am-1pm, Magnolia Church 8351 Magnolia Ave, Riverside CA 92504 Donación \$20, Info: Juan Santos (714)914-4879

**CLASES DE SEMINARIO EN ESPANOL PARA MUJERES Y HOMBRES ADULTOS**

**En línea y presencial** Gateway Seminary 3210 E. Guasti Rd. Ontario CA 91761

**Clases de Verano 3 de Junio al 29 de Julio Martes de 6-9PM**

- Introducción a la consejería
- Historia de la Biblia

**Retiro de Jóvenes 26-28 de Septiembre**

Camp Maranatha Idyllwild, CA 92549, Info: Christian Morales (951)764-0116

**Campamento Para Hombres**

**31 de Octubre al 2 de Noviembre** en Alpine Retreat Center, 415 Club House Dr. Blue Jay, CA 92317, Costo: \$250, Info: Victor Solorzano(562)229-4074; Juan Santos (714)914-4879

# Helping Those Who Are Hurting

A Webinar on  
Depression & Anxiety

Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

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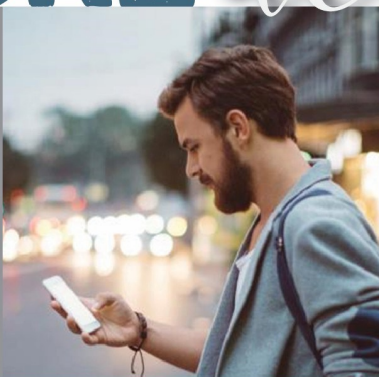


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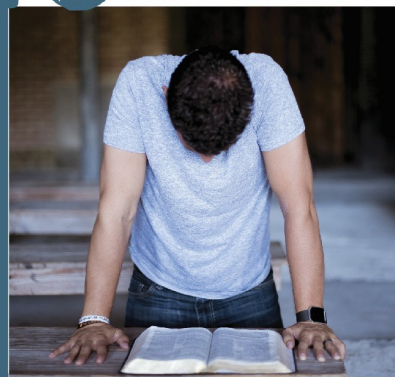
# HOMBRE *del* REINO



**SABADO**  
**28 DE JUNIO**  
**9:00 AM-1:00 PM**



**IGLESIA**  
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**8351 MAGNOLIA AVE.**  
**RIVERSIDE, CA 92504**



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**SANDALS CHURCH ESPANOL**



**CONFERENCISTA**  
**TONY RODRIGUEZ**  
**MAGNOLIA CHURCH ESPANOL**





## VBS Clinic 2025!

The VBS Clinic at Immanuel in Highland was very successful. This year, we did one super clinic with both the CSBC and IESBA support. Immanuel was a gracious host as always!

The clinic started at 9:00 a.m. with breakfast and themed snacks, then the worship rally began at 9:15. We sang songs, learned the motto, verse, got an overview of the bible stories, played a game and had lots of fun prizes during the worship rally. There was about 2 hours of training in each person's specific area and we took a break to have some VBS snacks! By all reports, the training classes went smoothly and people came away excited about VBS this year! We saw more churches involved this year than in recent years. We know God is going to use this training and others to change eternity in student (and leaders) lives!

It looks like there were at least 12 churches present. Most were from the Inland Empire but a couple from LA and Long Beach harbor. We are passing along some of our leftover stuff to Long Beach Harbor who will have a training on May 3.

We also had a decoration sign up and there are already 3-4 churches signed up to borrow the decorations that were created and pass them on to the next church for use all across So Cal all summer long! Thank you to everyone for your support of the VBS Training Clinic!



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### PASTOR'S BREAKFAST SCHEDULE:

**1st Wednesday of the month:** 11:30 am, Hawk's Landing Golf Course, 55100 Martinez Trail, 92284

**2nd Monday of the month:** 8:00 am, Dennys, 570 E. Fourth Street, Perris **-NEW LOCATION**

**2nd Tuesday of the month:** 8 am, Dennys, 17009 Valley Blvd, Fontana **-NEW LOCATION**

**1st Thursday of the month:** 8 am, Coco's Bakery, 1140 W. Colton, Redlands



Sunergeo Christian Fellowship  
celebrated their 20 year anniversary!



This next semester, our Spanish seminary , ADVANCE, will have 30 students attending from Mexico. While we do charge a small fee, we do not charge them the full amount per class, which is \$205. If you feel led, **you can help offset the cost by sponsoring a student.** These are mostly pastors or staff in Mexico that are attending an online class to help them gain knowledge to lead their churches.

To sponsor a student, visit:  
[www.iesba.org/sponsor-a-student/](http://www.iesba.org/sponsor-a-student/)



## IESBA SPANISH WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



The event was held at Iglesia Mas Vida's new church building in Fontana. It was pouring down rain during most of the conference, so we had men with big umbrellas escorting women from their cars in the parking lot to the church sanctuary. Several women who signed up before the event to attend did not show up, some reporting to me due to the very bad weather. Even in the bad weather, God showered his blessings on the event, and it was absolutely amazing!!! Even though we had horrible weather conditions, revival broke out! Our theme was "The Great Revival" and that was exactly what happened. A Great Revival movement started in the Inland Empire on Saturday. The ladies committed to revival, starting with themselves, impacting their family and coworkers, their churches, and ultimately a great awakening in the Inland Empire. A team of 28 women and I have been meeting on zoom to pray for revival in our association and for this event for several months and God's presence showed up bigger than we prayed for. The women did not want to leave the conference. At the end, a woman from each church passed in front to pray specifically for



their congregation, and we spent time praying for unity and revival in each church body they represented.

178 women attended the association's women's conference on Saturday! We are not sure how many watched online as the tracker was not working correctly, but we know many connected as women were sending the link to people before the conference started. 24 men from different churches helped, and the media and video team of men shared how they were impacted and told me they learned a lot and will continue the movement in the Inland Empire association at the men's conference in June at Magnolia Church. 24 Spanish-speaking congregations were represented from our association, and two churches from the IESBA Advance seminary extension we have in Tijuana were present in person and online. 5 women accepted Christ! We had a team of 19 pastors' wives to help with decision follow-up and be available throughout the conference to pray for women. All of them prayed for more than one person throughout the conference day and were able to minister to several women in attendance. Thank you for your support and for sponsoring the event. The food and fellowship time in the fellowship hall was a huge blessing and women were able to connect and make new friends with other women from our association. Pastor Juan Santos had a Gateway seminary booth and gave away a lot of free resources. Current Advance Spanish Speaking student Jose Canencia shared how the program has greatly impacted his life and prepared him and his wife for church planting and serving. He shared how through the mentorship of Juan Santos they have defined their calling to help model how Spanish-speaking seminary students can work as one body with an English-speaking congregation to reach two cultures for Christ, ONE church body impacting the community in 2 different languages. It was truly a Great Revival!!





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