



PRAISES AND WORSHIP REACHED HEAVEN ON A SUNDAY DURING A WORSHIP SERVICE

Caracas UBF celebrated by first time a Special Sunday Worship Service dedicated to Praise and Worship.

All brethren sang and praised together to the Lord during the first Sunday Service especially dedicated to Praise and Worship, on July 9th of this year.

In the context of the study of the book of Exodus, it was delivered a short message about the song of

Moses and Miriam and the Israelites when they went through the Red Sea while they were running from the Egyptians, located in chapter 15 of this book.

Through the message delivered by P. Gustavo Prato all the attendants were encouraged to praise God with

songs for all the wonderful deeds that He has done in our lives and because He deserves all worship.

When the Bible message was finished the praise and worship team played several songs during one hour. In this precious time our brethren felt how their hearts were re-

newed and thanked to God for His faithfulness singing beautiful songs and hymns. It was a joyful time during which the hearts of our brethren were broken while they were dancing, singing, jumping, laughing and crying in the presence of the Lord.

New disciples proclaimed their faith through water baptism

Thirteen Jesus' disciples belonging to cohort 2016-2017 proclaimed their faith publicly through receive their water baptism on Saturday July 15th.

Water baptism is a public manifestation of faith for any who believes in Jesus, expressing symbolically a new birth. On Saturday July 15th, Caracas UBF ministry held a special ceremony guided by P. Gustavo Prato in order to baptize in water to the new disciples of cohort 2016-2017.

The disciples that confessed publicly their personal decision to follow Jesus are: Carlos Pérez, Diana Rojas, Eduardo García,

Gabriel Ramos, Gleidys, José Luis Rivas, Kevin, Yolimar, Rodrigo Rojas, Oswaldo, Martha Guerra, María Fernanda, María Rojas and Kristian Solorzano. We pray God bless them and that they may continue bearing internal and external fruits, showing with it their firm faith on Jesus.

During this ceremony, Brother Kevin also shared his life testimony and it was gave it to him his certificate as official member of our ministry. **Praised be God!**



UNIVERSITY FRONT MOVES FORWARD AND CONSOLIDATES THE EVANGELISM WORK

UCV, USB and IPC are the main campuses where our brethren are preaching weekly.

Evangelism work in Caracas' universities keeps moving forward by God's grace. Since May 18th, date in which this intensive evangelism activity started, until July 31st, 10 weeks of preaching activities in campuses has passed.

Venezuela has suffered in the last four months. These months have been marked by the violent deaths of students and citizens,

and by demonstrations in the streets due to unconstitutional decisions made by the government. Our ministry has received the call to fight spiritually with the armor of God.

So, each week our brethren get prepared with prayer, daily bread and God's word in order to preach in the different campuses.

During June and July there were preached 90 students

approximately. Also, especially on afternoons, there were held more than 10 group Bible studies on campuses, to which an average of 2-3 students attended to each Bible study.

UCV, USB and IPC are the main campuses that are a target for evangelism activities for Caracas UBF during this special time of spiritual need.

Bible Stand

There are several ways and strategies to give God's word to young people, and the Bible Stand is one of them.

This method consists in place an informative stand with snacks, flyers and an attractive banner in any place of the campus and preach from there to the people who walk around.

Thank God this experience was very satisfactory. Just in one day of Bible Stand at UCV more than 50 persons received the message and 32 of them gave their contacts.

The spiritual hunger of all students was revealed when two students came separately to give their phone contacts, expressing their desire to study the Bible. **Praise God!**

Shepherds Team.

More than 300 contacts have been reached through this intensive evangelistic mission.

Because of this a Shepherds team was raised, directed by Sh. Sara Ruz. This team will be in charge of call and make contact with all students to whom God's word have been preached, in order to establish a closer relation with them.

We pray the students may answer the call with humble hearts and the shepherds may be diligent taking care of every sheep.

We praise God for the work that He is doing in the hearts of the students in this time. We pray for the students may come closer to Jesus humbly.

FANB and GNB keep listening the Gospel

At least 30 military officers listened the Gospel during June and July.

Military officers gathered in Caracas' streets now can listen the Gospel message through the preaching of our brethren of Caracas UBF, and especially, from P. Gustavo Prato.

Approximately two days at week P. Gustavo Prato goes to preaching to the military officers located near to the demonstrations. Before go to preach them, our brethren get together to pray and offer that time to the Lord.

Some points that are visited constantly to preach are the near areas to UCV and Plaza Venezuela. This is done in order to bring

God's word to GNB (military force) and PNB's (police force) officers, which during last months of demonstrations in Venezuela have been a key factor creating repression, violence and the deaths of several young university students.

"We are a university ministry and if they (security force officers) are attacking to our students, then God's word must come to them", said P. Prato.

Several Bible messages have been preached to at least 30 military officers on the last two months: when Jesus healed a demon-possessed, the Ten Com-

mandments, Jesus' crucifixion message, among others.

Brethren have faced stress situations and confrontations between the students and security forces. But God has taken care of them and has used them to pray and proclaim the Gospel in the middle of these circumstances.

We pray God keeps strengthening and using Caracas UBF brethren to bring God's word to these people, and most of them may receive deeply in their hearts the message of God's grace, so they can take the right decisions during the stress situations. **Amen.**

Sunday Worship Services for Invitation

As part of the preparation of our Bible Encounter for University Students (I & II), on September there were held Special Sunday Worship Services focused on invite students:

Young man, I say to you, get up!

The first of these services was held on July 23rd. It was delivered the word "Young man, I say to you, get up!" based on Luke 7:11-17.

We thank God for this first Special Worship Service for Invitation for which more than 10 university sheep came for their first time.

What is your name?

The second worship service for invitation was held on August 6th. It was delivered the message "What is your name?" based on Matthew 8:28-34. For this worship service attended university students that had been coming regularly to church and 9 new university students that came for their first and second time.

The Parable of the Sower

The third worship service for invitation was held on August 20th. It was delivered the word of The Parable of the Sower, based on Luke 8:4-15. By God's grace, for this service attended 12 new university students.

For each worship service there was a special drama that represented the word that was preached, lunch and special snacks. Also, at the end of each worship service we had some games to break the ice and meet and share more with the invited students.

PERMANENT FAST AND PRAY DURING MORE THAN 2 MONTHS

On each Saturday fasts are made and three days at week our brethren have prayer meetings.

During last months, the Lord has strengthened our ministry through the spiritual fight of each brethren to pray, study the Bible, share Bible testimony and fasting, in order to strengthen the spirit.

Prayer meetings are held in Caracas UBF center each Monday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. On Fridays our Prayer Meeting Night

is carried out, during which we not only have a prayer time, but also a short message is delivered, we sing songs and a small dinner is served. Also, from 9:30 a.m. on each Saturday our brethren get together to fast and pray for prayer topics of our country and our ministry. May God bless this spiritual fight and help us to bear fruit from it!



Brethren were preparing our Bible Encounter 2017 during a special retreat

From August 10th to 13rd, it was held the first retreat previous to our Bible Encounter.

From August 10th to 13rd it was held by Caracas UBF members a special retreat, in order to rest and work in the different activities for our Bible Encounter 2017 titled: "Live: By the power of His word".

The main purpose of this special retreat was that our brethren in charge of different activities

could have a time to rest both physical and spiritually. Also, there was a time for have a meeting in order to talk about all activities and coordinate it.

Brethren that will deliver Bible message and life testimonies during this conference had a nice and quiet time to keep meditating in God's word and His work in

their lives.

Also there was a time for recreation, free time and sport activities during which our brethren could live together in unity, as God's word says.

We pray God may guide all activities that are not finished for this conference and that His grace may be revealed during this Bible encounter aimed to young university students.



Maracaibo UBF and Mérida UBF get ready for their 3rd Regional Conference 2017



This conference will be held from August 18th to 20th in Merida

This conference is titled "The truth will set you free" and brethren from Mérida UBF and Maracaibo UBF will attend, guided by P. Jaime and P. Hugo, respectively.

During the preparation of this conference, brethren of these two ministries are going to campuses to preach God's word passionately and to invite

students to this conference.

We pray God may bless this conference with a lot of attendants with spiritual desire and humility to accept Jesus in their hearts. Also, that Bible messages and life testimonies may be powerful and full of God's grace.



HBF MEMBERS “DISCOVER THEIR TALENTS” DURING A SPECIAL ACTIVITY

Children of Korean missionary family in Caracas were sent as missionaries to USA.

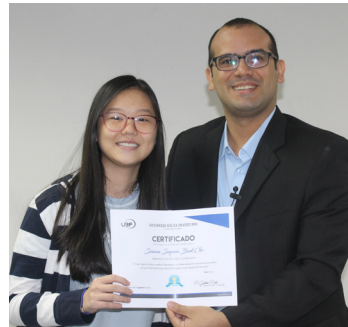
On last July 22nd, members of HBF Caracas get together during a special activity guided by Sh. Ingrid Useche, leader of HBF group in Caracas UBF called “Timothy”.

During this activity, 10 teenagers danced, sang and performed several different artistic expressions in order to know and discover their gifts and talents that the Lord has gave to them, in order to

use it in His work.

It was a very nice time, during which also the teenager children of missionary family Baek, Juan and Susana, performed two Bible characters and shared their life testimonies.

During this activity, a small ceremony was made to send them as second gen missionaries to USA, due to they will go soon to continue their college studies there.



We pray that they and the other teenagers may continue growing up with strong foundations on



God's word and may serve with their gifts and talents in God's work.



Gabriel Ramos and Xiomara Azuaje began a new stage in their marriage in God's eyes

By God's grace, Brethren Gabriel Ramos and Xiomara Azuaje get married last August 18th in God and men's eyes.

It was a wedding ceremony full of God's love and grace during which we could remember God's work in Ramos Azuaje family. We remembered how God restored their lives and how now He joins them together with a new vision and purpose in Christ.

The restoration history of Ramos family has been marvelous. First, their daughters Wuidiana (USB) and Euker (IPC) came to Jesus' feet and were a blessing and influence to their mother, so she could start Bible studies on 2011. Through the years sister Xiomara was growing up as a valuable co-worker in Caracas UBF and as a prayer warrior for her family and for God's work.

Before know Jesus the rela-

tionship between Xiomara and Gabriel was getting worse. Arguments between them were strong and constants due to his infidelity, being at a point of almost separate definitely. After sister Xiomara knew Jesus, she prayed ardently for her husband and her eldest son may know Jesus too. First, Brother Gabriel began to study the Bible and during the International Summer Bible Conference on 2015 he took the decision to genuinely repent of his sins and to follow Jesus. Due to his influence and his radical change in his life style, his eldest son began to assist to Caracas UBF and decides also to follow Christ with strong determination. Gabriel (father) is very faithful with all spiritual disciplines, with Daily Bread (He established a record in our chapter, writing Daily Bread testimony every day during more

than 500 days!), and with Bible studies, to which he attends faithfully every week. Praised be God! Xiomara and Gabriel had almost 30 years together as a couple, but they never get married, this is a very common situation among Venezuelans. But they took the decision to get married in God's eyes, receiving His blessing.

This wedding ceremony was also officiated by P. Gustavo Prato, who delivered a special message based on Isaiah 41 10: “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” We believe that the restoration and example of Ramos family will be a good influence and a blessing to many broken families that only can find hope in Jesus. **Congratulations!**



A NEW FAMILY FOCUSED ON GOD'S MISSION

Rodrigo Rojas and María Teresa Da Costa get married to form their house church in the ministry of Caracas UBF.

On Friday June 23rd, two lovely brethren, Rodrigo Rojas and María Teresa Da Costa, made public their decision before God and men to form a family centered on Christ, in order to serve the Lord as a house church.

This beautiful ceremony was officiated by P. Gustavo Prato, who shared a special message based on the word "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord", Joshua 24:15.

Sister María Teresa confessed her faith in Jesus in Caracas UBF on 2005, since then she has been a faithful servant and co-worker committed with God's work. She has a Computer Science degree from UCV (Central University of Venezuela). She graduated with honors, being the best student of

her graduation class. She also has been a dedicated single mother, working hard to take care of her daughter Diana, who at present is a college student.

On the other hand, Rodrigo confessed his faith in Jesus on 2010, and he completed the discipleship program in Caracas UBF on 2016. Rodrigo and María Teresa had known each other since 1998, while Rodrigo was studying Electrical Engineering in USB (Simon Bolivar University), from which he has a college degree. Rodrigo was living outside Venezuela for several years, but during 2015 he get in touch with María Teresa via internet. On 2016 they met again in Venezuela and, under God's guide and blessing and with the blessing of their

shepherds; they decided to get happily married in a civil ceremony. After Rodrigo finished the discipleship program, he received the calling to serve university students and he has a strong desire to grow as a shepherd for them.

During their wedding ceremony at church, they decided to offer their marriage as a house church to serve God's work, confirming in their hearts: "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Praised be God for the beautiful work that He has done in their lives! We pray that God may raise them up as a powerful family that serves young university students in Venezuela and the world. **Congratulations!**



OUR SISTERS FINISHED SUCCESSFULLY THEIR UNIVERSITY STUDIES

María Quintero and Gabriela Ramírez graduated from Universidad Central de Venezuela and Universidad Santa María respectively.

By God's grace and due to the effort of María and Gabriela, on June they received the fruit of their efforts, being now new professionals of our country.

María Quintero got her Bachelor's degree in Nursing from Universidad Central de Venezuela. On the other hand, Gabriela Ramírez got her Bachelor's degree in Social Communication, with a

specialization in Journalism, from Universidad Santa María.

Both thank to God and glorify Him for help and strengthen them during the journey of their university studies. Also, at present both are working on their fields and also serve in Caracas UBF ministry with their degrees. **Congratulations!**

Chile UBF Bible Conference had 11 participants

Venezuelan Missionaries, Luis and Josmary Zambrano, collaborated with Missionaries Chun.

Full of love and joy in their hearts, Chilean brethren served before and after their Winter Bible Conference that

was held from July 14th to 16th.

Venezuelan shepherds joyfully collaborated with Missionary Josue Chun and his wife for the preparation of this camp.

By God's grace, M. Luis Zambrano preached Jesus' crucifixion message "It is finished" full of God's love, and M. Josmary Lozada preached the main message "I do not condemn you".

"Truly Free" was the title of this camp for which participated 11 persons by God's grace. Among the attendants there were two sheep: Luis Solano, friend of Luis Zambrano, and Johan, friend of Luis Solano, each one received a lot of grace from God.

Also, from Argentina UBF M. Isaac Cho and his wife M. Mary Cho went to the conference. They collaborated and served with all their hearts to Chilean sheep.

We praise God for the work that He has done in the hearts of our brethren during this camp! We pray the Lord may help them to bear fruit and Chile UBF ministry may grow up with faithful disciples to God's word.

