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Dear Pastors and Prayer Partners,

First of all I want to apologize for the delay of communication. Our schedule has been extremely demanding in the last few months. We do understand the importance of communicating with you on a regular basis. It would be more convenient to send our report via email for those that have access to internet and are willing to receive it in this manner. For those who would be willing to receive our prayer letter by email I can confirm this by writing to us at: clark1997@aol.com. We would greatly appreciate it.

I can honestly say that, by God's grace, we have accomplished more within the last 6 months than we have in a long time. JoAnne and I have purposely invested our lives in training missionary teams of over 50 believers who are working 7 different works throughout Colombia. At the same time we continue working with the new believers in Cartagena. God has given a small nucleus of individuals who are now saved and growing in their new found faith in this key city. This is the "fresh fruit" we had asked God for to begin the church. We conduct 7 home bible studies every two weeks giving them the basic truths of the word of God. Besides this I have had the privilege of teaching the "Mission Course" in the "Leadership School" in Bogota each Saturday. Around those commitments we have also traveled throughout the country visiting the established works in order to observe, encourage, correct and edify the saints. At the same time, the Lord has placed it on my heart to revamp many of the teaching materials that we have been using over the years. And lastly, we just finished sponsoring the first of two annual pastors get togethers in Cartagena. Let me explain what we do at our annual meetings with the pastors and missionaries. First of all, once a year I meet with just the men. In the other annual meeting we include our wives. Each meeting is hosted and organized in one of the principal cities where we have an established church. The pastor of that church is the host and organizer of the accommodations and meals. All of the leaders arrive there and we spend three days communicating how we are doing; in our personal lives, marriages families and ministries. One by one each pastor and missionary shares the true reality of what they are living. Afterwards each pastor and missionary hears from the others, words of encouragement, guidance and even warning. This has been one of the greatest blessings to our ministry due to the protection God has provided for us through this sincere evaluation time. We are attempting to fulfill with Paul's exhortation in Acts 20:28 "Take heed therefore, unto yourselves, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." I wonder how many ex-pastors and ex-missionaries throughout the world would still be in the ministry if they would have had this protection?

I thank God for our leaders in Colombia. I pray for them daily. They pray for me daily. I know they are men of God. I know that God loves them and has a wonderful plan for their life. At the same time I know that Satan hates them and has a terrible plan for their life. I beg you to pray for God's protection for: Rudy, Fernando, Andres, Roberto, Luis Carlos, Allen, Eulises, Edgar, Pablo and all of our wives and children. Your prayers will have a tremendous eternal payoff. Thank you for your prayer support!

"Colombia For Christ"
Paul W. Clark