Walking Down A Road in Guatemala

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Deep-seeded superstition, endemic to the students’ Mayan culture can make learning biblical theology initially confusing. Pastor Benites shared the following story with us:

“If they had to go up a mountain to cut a tree for firewood, they would pray first to the mountain to allow them to take the tree, then to the tree to forgive them for cutting it down. I told them [they] don’t have to do that because God made the mountain and the tree for [them] to use. [They] need to thank God. This was an entirely new concept for them.”

In many ways, this story mirrors the Apostle Paul teaching the Athenians in the Book of Acts that their unknown god is truly the God of all. Even though the rural Mayans had been exposed to Catholicism centuries ago by explorers and missionaries, they were unaware of basic Christian doctrine. We, at Third Millennium, are grateful for the dedicated faculty and students of FTE and their commitment to walking in God’s truth. Congratulations to the Facultad Teologica Evangelica Class of 2011!

For more information about the work of FTE in Guatemala, please visit missionhousingministries.org
I have given your online download information to many people, who have downloaded in China on VPN connections [Virtual Private Networks are not linked to a single IP address]. Your latest online [compatibility] to use on iPhones, etc. is a tremendous advantage, especially with VPN connection to the iPhone. Your material is being used in China, Cambodia and Thailand, that I know specifically about.

It is truly a blessing to know that the free materials accessed from our website and phone apps are not only being used, but are often life-lines for those seeking Christian community and teaching in hostile environments.

**WHAT'S RICHARD BEEN UP TO?**

Richard recently taught in Seattle for Re:Train, the training arm of the Acts 29 church planting network. Dr. Justin Holcomb told us, “Pratt’s teaching was very, very helpful… He came up with an array of brilliant prisms that light up the Scriptures in a new way… thanks to him our students have a renewed appreciation, understanding, and love for God’s Word.” In 2012, Richard will be in China, Taiwan, Singapore, the United Kingdom, and the Ukraine.

I am thrilled to know that [Third Mill] materials are available in both Russian and English. I'm excited about seeing them used to help build up the body of Christ—especially my brothers and sisters in Christ in Ukraine whom God has sent me to serve.

The Primeval History series is wonderful. People need to understand the Old Testament. We just finished studying the book of Genesis and would have loved to have had such materials to help us have a deeper understanding.

I've had the privilege of serving the Lord in Ukraine for 18 years. I'm looking forward to sharing several series with my pastor and members of my church in Ukraine—especially The Apostles’ Creed series, Making Biblical Decisions and The Primeval History.

You're producing something of eternal value. This is great and wonderful! Melinda Wallace, Missionary in the Ukraine.