

An Update from Jim & Ester Mazurek – Assemblies of God Missionaries in Chile Latin American Advanced School of Theology (LAAST) - March, April 2003

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**"COLOMBIA IS KNOWN AS A DRUG-EXPORTING NATION;
COLOMBIA WILL BE KNOWN AS A GOSPEL-EXPORTING NATION."**

– Pastor Diógenes, Colombia – Feb. 2003

***When you hear the word "Colombia",
what do you think of? Drugs?
Violence? Kidnappings?***

We don't anymore. Jim just spent two weeks in Bogotá, teaching an LAAST course on Missions to thirty-five outstanding Colombian pastors.

We gathered each morning at 7:00 to pray for unreached nations, holding up their flags in faith. Nations like Afghanistan, for which Pastor Diógenes prays in this photo.

Pastor Diógenes first learned to read and write only after finding Christ at age 23. Less than 24 hours after his conversion he was witnessing to people on the streets. During the past 18 years he has planted 26 churches in an area filled with danger. His present congregation numbers 1,500, and is active in ministry to refugees and victims of the violence in their region. And now, like never before, this fearless pastor is focusing his faith and prayers on the unreached peoples of the world during these trying times. Won't you pray with him?



The Latin American Advanced School of Theology remains hard at work in the intensive, on-site, face-to-face and heart-to-heart advanced training of Latin American pastors, to increase their knowledge, challenge their hearts, and sharpen their skills in Bible, Theology, Ministry and yes, World Missions.

"Colombia". It make us think of Colombian missionaries, supported by brave and visionary Colombian pastors, who have captured a deeper vision for missions, thanks to LAAST seminars.

The LAAST way. Affordable, on-site, advanced ministerial training in a context of close human relationships.

**It's working for 1,800 ministers across Latin America. It needs your help to keep on working.
(Our next stop: CUBA – May, 2003 – We need your prayers and financial support for this great opportunity!)**

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