

Bienvenido!

Welcome to the June newsletter for Cuba para Cristo. This newsletter hopes to keep our supporters in touch with the work of CpC. For any feedback on the newsletter or articles that you would like included next month please contact the CpC exec at cubaparacristo@gmail.com

First Masters in Youth Ministry in Latin America

This month after the last workshop of the Special Master Degree Program in Cuba, the 13 students who started the program in 2005 graduated with honours from this **training the trainers** unique experience. This special program was sponsored by 4 different seminaries on the Island representing around 1000 churches as well as Youth Ministry International, an organisation who select, recruit and bring renowned professors from international Seminaries and Universities to develop the formal training. These 13 Cuban Pastors, who had a previous degree from Cuban Seminaries and a heart for youths, now by the grace of God have realised the vision of Formal Training in Youth Ministry in each of the 4 Cuban Seminaries.



The Cuban Dream Team

Partners of CpC provided funds for this program few years ago and a few of these leaders are supported by CpC. Therefore we can celebrate together this victory and **pray for** the work of these Christian leaders who we hope can impact the younger generation of Cubans and for the new schools of Youth Ministry in these Cuban Seminaries.

A testimony... (One of our friends in Cuba who is a pastor tells us this testimony):



A few weeks ago, God give me the opportunity to accomplish (without any struggle) a special invitation: Take part with a group of students at one of the Latin American Medical School's in Havana and teach the Bible... **Where?** In the front porch of huge dinner room, in the middle of the Campus. **Hey!** This can sound simple for you but is an historic experience for me. **You know what?** God used the 2 hours that we spend together *worship, praying and studying the Scriptures* to confirm: How special it's what He is doing in this country. Let me share a little with you about **the environment** at that moment. Nothing mystic, just the atmosphere:

*Was a very *warm* (hot) day, but we received a special *breeze* during 2 hours in this place. Is literal...

*We didn't have *chairs* there but we enjoyed the 16 levels of concrete *stairs* to sit on and enjoy the message.

*We don't have many opportunities to take mission trips overseas from here but we shared there with over 20 students from 8 different nations (Brazil, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Colombia, Bolivia, Honduras, Unite States and Cuba).

*Just a question: *¿What is impossible for God?*

Prayer/Praise Points

- For first time in 50 years an official declaration from the Cuban government that foresees a list of new possibilities and unrestricted environment for religions/churches is "on the table" for discussion. Pray for open doors for ministry opportunities and for wisdom on Christianity to managing that and seize the moment.
- A Cuban couple, Alexis and Lourdes will be in the UK from August 2008 to fulfil the Cornhill Training Course from next September until June 2009, pray for the Cuban Exit Visa for this couple and all the details around this experience.
- Pray for open doors to introduce in Cuba over a thousand Theology Books and NIV Study Bibles (all in Spanish) which will assist and improve the development of pastors and missionaries. The books are already waiting for the approval of Cuban government to ship.
- If you know anyone travelling to Cuba who might be able to take some materials out with them please contact: travel@cubaparacristo.com