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Many people in the world live without knowing God; some plead to Him when they're in trouble, in despair, and in difficulties, but then they forget Him. Many say that God is love. But what does it mean?

We want to tell you that God loves you and that He manifested His eternal and great love in many ways. Do you want to know how God loves you? We invite you to read the following:

**\* God manifested His love when He created you.**

God made you in His own image and likeness; you're not a product of chance, of coincidence, nor do you come from the apes as Darwin said. Science has shown that a cell contains so much information that beings can't have appeared out of anything<sup>1</sup>. The Evolution Theory is a big lie; scientific advances have shown that; for example, the evidence that tiny bacteria, such simple beings, have survived for so many years without undergoing major changes in their structure and functioning.

Nothing happens by chance, out of nothing, least of all human beings. We are so complex, and God designed our bodies with organs that work harmoniously to keep us alive.

God is intelligent, wise, and He has language, in addition to many other attributes; and He has given you these precious characteristics: you can

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<sup>1</sup> Antonio Cruz, Darwin did not kill God (Spanish version), 2004, p. 93. Cruz states the following: "The latest scientific discoveries turn these naturalistic ideas upside down and force us to look again at the old arguments about the design of matter and living beings. Einstein's theory of relativity, quantum mechanics, the revelation of the helical structure of DNA as well as the mechanisms of heredity or the complexity of genes, the surprising biochemical findings inside cells, and the great revolution in the world of information technology have all come together to make many researchers talk again today about a subject that seemed to have been discarded, the design of the universe and life. Even atheist biologists themselves refer today to the universality of the "genetic design" that can be seen in animals. This design was made by God, for He designed the whole universe, He created everything with His wisdom and intelligence.

communicate, speak, and express your ideas, your thoughts, your feelings, and emotions; the human being can speak many languages. God's love is manifested in the fact that He made us in His image and likeness: «Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness..."» (Genesis 1: 26). He decided, by an act of pure love to create only the human being in His image and likeness.

**In addition to having made us in His image and likeness, God shows us His love because He blessed us and gave us dominion after He created us.**

God made the creation so that all human beings could enjoy it, have dominion over it, and subdue it. The Bible says: «Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." » (Genesis 1:28).

If we look at the whole creation around, plants, animals, and minerals, We can see that everything is at the human being's disposal; and it is because God established it as a gift for all mankind.

**After God created the human being, He blessed him, and He gave him dominion. He gave him a place to live and food.**

God placed the human being in the garden of Eden, a paradise that was not only a place to live in but a dwelling where was God's presence; where man could eat spiritually and physically; where he could eat from all the trees, even the tree of life except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God gave His Word to Adam, His commandments which are life. This was an act of goodness, and of love for the human being. God spoke to him face to face; His voice walked in the garden.

- **God's love is also manifested in that He gave us freedom.**

God created every human being with freedom; He created you free, He did not make us robots, not mere "wimps"; He gave us free will, and freedom to choose. This is a great proof of love, because how can we imagine a love

based on manipulation? Love is only possible in an act of freedom; that's why God made us responsible for our decisions, He wanted human beings to love Him and choose Him freely.

Would you like a relative of yours or someone that you value so much to love you out of obligation? Or would you want someone to force you to love him/her? God doesn't force you, He doesn't make you choose Him or love Him; for that reason, He gave you freedom so that love could be pure, sincere, real, and true. And God gives you this love as a gift even before you know Him or love Him. Because of His great love for you, He calls you, He seeks you so you can know Him, and He gives you His salvation, His kindness.

How great are the blessings that God has given us! Can you see all this creation around you? The plants and animals to feed you and delight yourself, oceans, seas, mountains, rivers, all fountains of the waters, the beautiful sky that covers us and at night you can see it full of stars, that firmament that reminds us that it was created by God, because the Bible says: «The heavens declare the glory of God; / And the firmament shows His handiwork.» (Psalms 19:1).

God made everything for you and me to enjoy, for us to delight in His creation, to give Him thanks, and praise for His great goodness. God has created everything! Creation reveals His love, His power, and His glory; as it's written: «For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse...» (Romans 1:20). All creation reveals that there was a Creator because there is a perfect design.

When we see a building, for instance, nobody says that it was made by itself, but there was an architect. If we say that with simple human work, how much more shall we say that there was a Designer of this great, complex, and beautiful creation? This Creator is GOD, the Lord God who loves you and wants you to know Him.

But I want to tell you the answer of the human being to all the acts of love that we have enunciated above.

Faced with the act of creation, the human being has said to God: “No, You didn’t make the creation, nor the Earth, nor the Universe, everything was made by itself, all things have appeared out of nowhere; therefore, I can do whatever I want to it, I can destroy and contaminate it”. And man has ever used science to deny God. The human being has despised the Creator. Man has replaced God, by taking something or someone from the creation to place it as his god. In many parts of the Earth human being has said: “My god is a creature, my god is an animal, the Sun, the Moon, the stars, the sky. They rule my life, or other mortal humans like me, a saint, Buddha, Muhammad. I don’t want God’s dominion, the creation will be my lord, and so I despise that God’s government”. With this is fulfilling the Word of God that says: «because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but; became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools...» (Romans 1:21-22).

Other people don’t change God for a creature, but they don’t acknowledge Him; they say that God doesn’t exist. How can we deny God if the creation itself declares His glory? How can we deny God if you are a perfect creation of God, your organs, your brain, your language, your intelligence, and your capacity to love and feel gladness?

- **Let us tell you more...**

In response to God's act of love in giving freedom to the human being, the man answered Him as follows: “In my freedom, I choose darkness, I choose death. I will use my freedom to do my will, what I want, I rule my life; and I will use that freedom to have fun, to eat and drink for tomorrow I will die. I choose evil, wickedness. I choose SIN, not the life; I prefer my principles and laws, I don’t want Your commandments; I choose my mansions, not Your dwelling, I don’t want Paradise, I don’t want Heaven. I don’t want Your PRESENCE; I rather HIDE from You. I don’t want Your WORD, I prefer my conscience, my emotions, my own thoughts.”

The human being decided to choose himself and cast God aside, choosing his own will and not God’s. And let us say which are the consequences of this decision are: A history filled with death, wars, diseases, and wickedness. The human being has witnessed his own acts of the decision to turn away from

God. Because of that, the Bible says: « “There is none righteous, no, not one; / There is none who understands; / There is none who seeks after God. They have all turned aside... There is none who does good...” (Romans 3:10-12).

The broken relationship with the Creator and the dismissal from His glory is the consequence of rejection that man has done to God: «for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...» (Romans 3:23).

Although human beings have turned away from God, the Lord didn't abandon them. God has shown His love in that He decided to seek men, rescue them, to save them. God, in the fullness of times, sent Jesus to seek that which was lost: «...for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.» (Luke 19:10). Jesus left His glory and humbled Himself, He took the form of a servant because He came in the likeness of men (Philippians 2:7-8).

Who are we that God should take the form of a bondservant, leave His glory in order to dwell among us as a man? Who are we that God himself might come to seek us out, and after we have rejected and rejected him, He might decide to pour out his love on us, bringing us eternal life? Who are we that God would take the form of a servant, leave His glory to dwell among us as a man? As says God's Word: «What is man that You are mindful of him, / And the son of man that You visit him?» (Psalms 8:4).

But God didn't take into account our rejection. He loved us first, and the greatest proof of that love is that Jesus gave His life for us. Would anyone give his or her life for another person? Jesus gave His life for you and for me. He died in a terrible way: He was beaten, flogged, had a crown of thorns put on Him, had His beard plucked out, He was crucified, He shed all His blood to cleanse all our wickedness, our sin, and give us life, and more abundantly life.

At this moment I want to tell you that Jesus died for you, and He did it for love because He has always loved you, He has loved you from the eternity, and for that reason, He has drawn His mercy: «“Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; / Therefore with lovingkindness, I have drawn you.» (Jeremiah 31:3). For God so loved you that He gave His only begotten Son, so you believe in Him, you shouldn't perish, and have everlasting life (John 3:16).



We have sinned against God because we haven't acknowledged Him as God, because we have rejected Him, because we haven't done His will but our own. We have been born separated from God because of sin, for that reason no one seeks Him from childhood, and we have to be taught to seek Him. However, God has placed in our heart the conscience of good and evil. Where His commandments are written.

But I want to give you a good new, the best new of all; God has set us a way to return to Him, in order to reconcile with Him: JESUS. He gives us salvation and eternal life.

**Why is Jesus the only way that can give us eternal life and reconcile us with God the Father?**

**\* Because He's God.**

Salvation can't be given by any human being, nor Buddha, nor Muhammad, because they were sinners and died. Only God can give salvation and eternal life. The Bible says: «... "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." » (Matthew 19: 25-26).

Jesus is God because the Bible declares so; He is the incarnate Word: «In the was the Word, and Word was with God, and the Word was God. » (John 1:1); « And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us...» (John 1:14).

Jesus is God because He is worthy of praise and worship: « And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: / "Blessing and honor and glory and power /Be to Him who sits on the throne, / And to the Lamb, forever and ever!" » (Revelation 5:13); «And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.» (1 John 5:20).

**\* Because Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.**

Jesus only is the way to the Father: «Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.» » (Acts 4:12)

**\*Because the only one who can remove the sin that separates us from God, is Jesus.**

Because all human beings are sinners, no one can take away sin; that's why Jesus had to come to the Earth to die for us and cleanse us from all wickedness. His blood was shed for the sin of human beings and only this blood can save and give them eternal life, because life is the blood (Deuteronomy 12:23): «...how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? » (Hebrews 9:14).

**\* Only Jesus can cleanse our sins because He was born and lived without sin.**

Jesus, being in the form of God decided to come to the Earth, incarnate in a human womb, and live among us but He never sinned. He lived a holy and pure life; because of that, He was able to give Himself as a holy and perfect offering for our sins. A sinner could never do such thing, for how can a sinner cleanse sin, or how can filthiness cleanse filthiness?: «... because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: / “Who committed no sin, / Nor was deceit found in His mouth”»;» (1 Peter 2:21-22).

**\* Because Jesus is the only one who can give life because He's alive, He rose from death.**

A dead man cannot give life. Muhammad and Buddha died and lie in their tombs. All men are destined to die and then to be judged. Only Jesus died and rose from the dead; His tomb is empty. And now He's in Heaven, praying and making intercession for us as the loving and perfect Priest and advocate.

Jesus is alive and will live forever, and because He lives, you can live forever too if you believe in Him!

For this reason, we invite you to receive God's love in this right moment, believing in Jesus and receiving Him as your Lord and Savior; all we have to do is repent of having lived separated from God and of having sinned; we only have to tell Him:

*“God, forgive me. I repent of my sins, of having lived according to my will, and for not having obeyed You, nor having kept You in mind in my decisions; forgive me of having done everything against to Your will. Lord Jesus, I receive You as my Lord and Savior; make me a new man or woman; I want to be born again; I want to be a child of God; and if I die, I want to be with You for the eternity, Amen”.*

If you have done this prayer with all your heart, I will tell you what just happened to you:

- You have been born again because you have repented of your sins, you have received Jesus in your heart, you have believed in Him and you have confessed Him with your mouth because the Bible says: «that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. » (Romans 10:9-10).
- You are not a **God's creature** anymore but a **child of God**, because you have received Jesus in your heart, because the Bible says: «But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name...» (John 1:12).
- You have salvation and eternal life because you have decided to believe in Jesus and do His will: «And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. » (John 17:3).

We have told you about salvation and eternal life that only Jesus can give. But maybe you are wondering, from what will I be saved? The answer is:

## **Jesus saves us from Hell**

Hell is a real place and all those who refused to reconcile with God through Jesus will go there. When a man dies, there are only two places where he goes: To Heaven at God's side, or Hell separated from God for all eternity.

Human beings are responsible for their actions, and their decisions, because they have freedom. And having created them, God himself will judge them; He will bring those actions and decisions to judgment: «For God will bring every work into judgment, / Including every secret thing, / Whether good or evil. » (Ecclesiastes 12:14).

Many people follow their own life and will without taking God into account, even denying Him, and ignoring that one day they will stand before Him to give an account of all their actions and be judged. And if they are found guilty, they will be cast into Hell, the Lake of fire: «Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books... And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. » (Revelation 20:11-12, 15)

The worst torment in Hell will be the conscience of being separated from God all the eternity, the Creator and Father; of being rejected from His glory and His love: «These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power...» (2 Thessalonians 1:9).

But if you repent now, receive Christ, and believe in Him, you will not go to this judgment and you will be saved from Hell; your name will stay written in the book of life. Hell is a terrible place of deep darkness, where the lost human beings will remember their whole life of sin for all eternity, where they will have the conscience that they are lost, where they will desire to be with God but will not be able to, they will thirst for God's presence, but will not be able to quench it because they will be separated from Him for eternity.

That is why God is inviting you to receive His love, to receive Jesus, to be born again, to receive the living water that only He can give and once you drink from it, you will never thirst: «but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.” » (John 4:14)

If you have decided to repent of your sins and receive Christ in your heart, believing in Him, you are now a child of God and you have received His salvation. Therefore, God gives you the following blessings<sup>2</sup>:

- You are a child of God (John 1:12). A member of the household of God and God is your Father (Romans 8:16).
- You are the light of the world (Matthew 5:14).
- You are part of the true vine; a living branch of Christ (John 15: 1,5).
- You are a friend of God (John 15:15).
- You are chosen by God to bear His fruit (John 15:16).
- You are a slave of righteousness (Romans 6:18).
- You are a joint heir with Christ, sharing the inheritance with Him; that inheritance is Heaven and all God’s promises (Romans 8:17). This inheritance is the New Jerusalem, the New Heavens and the New Earth, and all the promises of God.
- You are a temple –God’s dwelling. His Spirit and His life dwell in you (1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19).
- You are a member of Christ’s body, as part of the Church, the household of God (Ephesians 5:30).
- You are a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17).

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<sup>2</sup> Neil Anderson and Robert L. Saucy. *Common Made Holy*. Unilit, 1997.

- You are reconciled with God (2 Corinthians 5:18-19).
- You are a saint, separated for God (Ephesians 1:1; 1 Corinthians 1:2; Philippians 1:1).
- You are His workmanship –His masterpiece– born again in Christ for doing His work (Ephesians 2:10).
- You are a fellow citizen of the rest of the household of God (Ephesians 2:19).
- You are righteous; You have been clothed of Christ’s righteousness (Ephesians 4: 24).
- You are a citizen of Heaven (Ephesians 2:6).
- You are Christ’s life expression because He is your life (Colossians 3:4).
- You are a chosen of God, saint, and deeply loved (1 Thessalonians 1:4).
- You are a partaker of the heavenly calling (Hebrews 3:1).
- You are one of the living stones, being built in Christ as a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:5).
- You are a member of the chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people (1 Peter 2:9-10).

Now that you are a child of God and you have received the salvation of God: What should you do?

**\* Pray daily**

Now that you are a child of God, you need to communicate with Him every day; He desires to always talk to you. God tells us that we must pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Prayer allows us to talk to God and listen to Him; prayer strengthens us and allows us to worship Him, give Him thanks, and through it, we can ask God to help us for live according to His will which

is good, acceptable, and perfect.

**\* Be part of a holy assembly**

Now you must be part of a holy congregation or church, where they preach and teach the Word of God. Bible says that we must not forsake the assembling: «...not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.» (Hebrew 10:25) You can be part of our church: BEREА Christian Church, to receive the Word of God, and the sound doctrine through our YouTube channel and other social networks (see at the end of the brochure); the Holy Spirit will touch your life powerfully; you will feel the presence of God; you can grow in the knowledge of God and His Word, to mature spiritually, sanctify yourself every day and prepare yourself for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Rapture, in which He will take His Holy Church to the New Jerusalem; this glorious event is near. After that, seven years of the terrible judgment of the Tribulation on Earth will come.

**\* Read the Bible daily**

The Word of God is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path (Psalms 119:105); it feeds us and allows us to grow in the knowledge of God. So, dear friend, now that you are saved, you must read it daily and apply it to your life; obeying God's will written in His Word brings us blessings. The Bible is the only written revelation that God left us; it's inspired by God

**Why is the Bible the Word of God, and the only revealed truth for all human beings?**

Many people wonder why the Bible is the only revelation that God gave to human beings so that they could know Him and what the way of salvation is. The answer is in the characteristics of this book that was inspired by the Holy Spirit; the Bible says: «...and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness...» (2 Timothy 3:15-16). Dear friend, we will show you some of the unique attributes

that the Bible has that no other book in the whole world has:

**\* The Bible is unique in its continuity because:**

- It was written for 1.500 years approximately.
- It has more than forty authors with different conditions.
- It was written in three continents: Asia, Africa, and Europe.
- It was written in three languages: Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek
- It was written in a wide variety of genres and literary styles: poetry, narrative, song, romantic expression, didactic treatise, law, epistle or personal letter, memoir, biography, autobiography, prophecy, parable, and allegory.

Despite the diversity that we told you about before, the Bible presents a unique story in a progressive revelation: the redemption that God gives to human beings. The principal protagonist, the most important person of the Bible, is GOD HIMSELF revealed in God's Son, JESUS. That means that the Bible has only one author who must be divine, sovereign, wise, and intelligent; this author is GOD. Therefore, there's unity in the content of the whole Bible. This would not have been possible if it were a man's book.

**\* The Bible is unique in its survival**

The Bible is the book with the most textual evidence of all ancient literary works, and this is an argument for its authenticity. In the case of the New Testament, which is the best attested, there is an abundance of material that increasingly confirms the unity of the biblical content, as there is accuracy and abundance of biblical manuscripts. There is plenty of evidence of New Testament manuscripts; there are some 5,686 partial or complete manuscripts that were copied by hand from the 1st to the 15th century.

To this, we add 10,000 copies of the Latin Vulgate and approximately 9,300 of other ancient versions. In short, there are almost 25,000 manuscript copies of portions of the New Testament today. No ancient document has this number



of manuscripts, not even The Iliad, which has only 643.

**\* The Bible is unique in its teachings**

The singularity of the Bible teachings is observed in three aspects: Prophecy, history, and its character. The Bible is the only book in which we can find a collection of prophecies about particular nations, Israel, all the peoples of the Earth, certain cities, and the Messiah (Christ fulfilled more than 300 prophecies). Neither Muhammad nor the modern sects have prophecies that anticipate their so-called prophets' appearance.

The Bible prophecies were fulfilled, and they are still being fulfilled; the prophecies about Christ were established in the Old Testament, about His birth, His life, His death, and His resurrection. Other prophecies had been fulfilled, like Edom's destruction (Obadiah 1), the condemnation of Babylon (Isaiah 13), the destruction of Tyre (Ezekiel 26), and Nineveh (Nahum 1-3), and the return of Israel to his land (Isaiah 11:11).

Other books pretend to be sacred with divine inspiration such as the Quran, the book of Mormon, and parts of Vedas (Hinduism), but they don't have prophecies that announce beforehand the future events. Finally, about the Bible character, the Bible speaks openly about its protagonists' sins, it doesn't hide them, it shows man as he is, therefore the Bible author can't be a man, but God who knows and tests all men's heart.

**\* Science supports the Bible**

We will show you here some scientific discoveries that have demonstrated that the Bible is true, authentic, and unique, but there are many, many more:

Many people have tried to defame, discredit, and suggest some inconsistencies in the Bible, saying that it has falseness; but the Bible has not been affected by all these attacks, and the advances of science every day confirm its veracity and disprove the critics. Let's see some examples:

(1) It was said that the first five books of the Bible weren't written by Moses, because in his time there wasn't writing; then it was discovered "the black

stele” that contained in Cuneiform characters the Hammurabi laws, with a date before Moses, nearly three centuries.

(2) It was said that there were no Hittites mentioned in the Bible at the time of Abraham. Archaeological research discovered a Hittite civilization more than 1,200 years old.

(3) It was doubted that Pilate had ever existed. But in 1961 was unearthed a stone tread in the roman amphitheater in Caesarea with an inscription that had this name.

(4) The Bible teaches that the Earth is round and that it’s hung on nothing, many years before science said so: «He stretches out the north over empty space; / He hangs the earth on nothing. » (Job 26:7); «While as yet He had not made the earth or the fields, / Or the primal dust of the world. / When He prepared the heavens, I was there, / When He drew a circle on the face of the deep...» (Proverbs 8: 26-27).

(5) The Bible teaches that there’s water above in the firmament of the heavens and recently was discovered water in a gaseous state in space in a quantity greater than that in the oceans: «Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament, and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day. » (Genesis 1:7-8).

“Astronomers from the California Institute of Technology and the University of Colorado discovered the largest and farthest water reservoir in the universe at a distance of 48 billion trillion kilometers, reported the portal 'infobae.com'. The water is in a gaseous state and is 140 billion times bigger than the sum of all the oceans of our planet and 100 thousand times bigger than the Sun” (www.eltiempo.com. July 27th of 2011).

THE BIBLE IS TRUE! And it talks about Jesus as the only Savior of humanity; for that reason, you can believe in Him and believe in His Word that is written. We invite you to continue learning more about God, so that you may continue to be blessed by Him. Berea Barranquilla Ministries can help you if you wish.

**BEREA BARRANQUILLA MINISTRIES:  
BEREA CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

**WHO ARE WE?**

**Why BERE Church**

We are called BERE Christian Church Because we respond to the Father's demands who seeks worshipers in spirit and true (John 4:23-24); and we base on the permanent study of the Bible, as Bereans did who searched every day the Scripture (Acts 17:11).

**WHAT WE BELIEVE IN:**

**We believe:**

- In the Bible as the only revealed Word of God, inerrant, and inspired by the Holy Spirit (2 Timothy 3:16-17. Psalm 19:7, 119: 160. John 17:17).
- In God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit as three persons in perfect unity (1 John 5:7. 1 John 2: 22-23. John 4: 24, 10: 30).
- That Jesus is God, He incarnated, died, rose glorified, and ascended to the right hand of God the Father (1 John 5:20. Matthew 1:13. Isaiah 9:6. 2 Peter 1:1. 1 Timothy 3:16. 1 Thessalonians 4:14. 1 Corinthians 15:20. Hebrews 8:1).
- That salvation and eternal life can only be had through: genuine repentance of sins, believing in Jesus as the only and sufficient Savior, receiving Him in the heart, confessing Him, and leading a life of holiness in obedience to the Bible (Acts 2:38, 3:19. Romans 10:9-10. Hebrews 12:14).
- In the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking with tongues (Acts 2:1-13; 10: 44-46).
- In the gifts of the Holy Spirit active in the Church today, for her edification as a body (Romans. 12: 6 - 8. 1 Corinthians 12: 8 - 10): gifts of healings, of working miracles, of knowledge, of wisdom, of prophecy, discernment of spirits, speaking with tongues, interpretation of tongues, service, teaching, exhortation, among others.

- That God left ministries in the Church: apostles (missionaries, Church planters in the world), prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers (Ephesians 4:11-12).
- In the Rapture of the Church before the Tribulation (1 Corinthians 15: 51-54; 1 Thessalonians 1:10, 4:13-18; Revelation 3:10. Luke 21:36. John 14:1-3).
- In the prophetic 7-year judgment of the Tribulation or seventieth week of Daniel (Daniel 9: 27; Revelation chaps. 6-16; Matthew 24: 1-29; Mark 13: 1-25; Luke 21:5-26).
- In that after the 7 years of Tribulation, Jesus will come to Earth for the second time with His glorified Church (Matthew 24: 30-31; Mark 13: 26-27; Luke 21:27; Zechariah 14: 4; Revelation 19: 11-21).
- That after His second coming, Christ will reign 1,000 years on Earth (Revelation 20:1-10; Isaiah 65:20).
- In Heaven where all those who are saved in Christ, and obeys His Gospel, goes at death; and in Hell as a real place where everyone who reject Christ and do not live according to His Gospel will go (Matthew 5:22,29,30, 10:28, 18:9, 23:33; Mark 9:43,45,47; Luke 12:5; 2 Peter 2:4; Revelation 20:15, 21:8; Luke 16:23-24).
- In the New Jerusalem, the Heavenly City, the city of the Living God to which the Church will go when it is raptured by Jesus (Hebrews 11:10,16; 12:22. Revelation 21:9-27).
- In which God will make New Heavens and a New Earth, where the New Jerusalem will come down (Isaiah 65:17-19; Revelation ch. 21).
- In that God made eternal covenants with glorious promises that will be fulfilled first in the Church when she will be glorified, and in Israel and the nations in the Eternal Kingdom. These promises are: the holy descendants, multiplied eternally; the eternal government (reign and priesthood) and the extended Earth for eternity: Edenic Covenant (Gen 1: 6-28; Hos 6:7); Adamic Covenant (Gen 3: 8-24. Rom 8: 20-22); Noahic Covenant (Gen 9: 1-17); Abrahamic Covenant (Gen 22: 1-18); Law Covenant (Deut 28: 1- 14); Land Covenant (Deut 29:1-29); Davidic Covenant (1 Chron 17: 7-27); New Covenant (Jer 31: 27-40).

## **MISSION**

We are a church that preaches the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and makes disciples in all nations. Our objective is to give salvation to humanity through the knowledge of God in His truth revealed and written in the Bible. We seek to teach about the faith in Christ Jesus, the repentance of sins, and life in

holiness according to the Word of God.

## **VIEW**

To be a Church united in God's love and in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, that impacts the world and can carry out the ministry of reconciliation among human beings and God through Jesus Christ. We project ourselves as a community that grows every day in the knowledge of God, that is united as a body edified on the foundation, which is Christ, that stands firm in the way of the Lord, in faith, obedience, and holiness as we await the glorious coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **WHAT DO WE DO?**

Our main activity is to carry out the Great Commission, to preach the gospel to every creature, to teach the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ, and make disciples in all the nations. We receive from our Lord Jesus the Ministry of His Word, which we do with love, fervor in the Spirit, and diligence, without material gain because we consider ourselves instruments, stewards of God's grace.

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Be a part of our Church from your home, in any country wherever you are, subscribe to our channel on YouTube where you will find:

- Complete worship services with powerful praises and sermons based entirely on God's Word that will strengthen you and give you an eternal

perspective, centered on the glorious promises of the Lord. You will be able to set your eyes and your heart on the soon coming of Christ for his holy Church at the Rapture, and in the New Jerusalem. You will receive the precious and living Faith that the ancients had, those of Hebrews Chapter 11, the faith that obtains the eternal promises.

- In the channel you will also find many worship songs with powerful videos that will impact your life and will adorn you with scents of holiness and adoration to the King, in order to be ready for the Rapture that is nearby. The Church must be ready for this glorious event!
- You will also be able to see video teachings, virtual classes (Diploma Courses), and TV programs ("Preparing us to the Coming of the King<sup>3</sup>").
- You will find short videos with powerful teachings ("Did you know that already?<sup>4</sup>").

On the YouTube channel, you will be able to comment on the sermons, worship songs, and teachings; so that you can interact with other members of the Church.



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In the website you will find powerful audio devotionals, written devotionals, discipleships resources for students and teachers; written sermons (in series and individually), evangelistic tracts, free books, and written classes for children ("Well of living waters for children"), videos and links to the YouTube channel.

Interact with Berea's brethren through our WhatsApp, Instagram, and Facebook networks; and feel the fire and power of the Holy Spirit which is in

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<sup>3</sup> Original name of the program (Spanish name): "Preparándonos para la venida del Rey"

<sup>4</sup> Original name of the short videos (Spanish name): "¿Ya lo sabías?"

the congregation that fervently awaits the day and hour when the Lord Jesus will come to go home, to the dwelling places He prepared for His bride (John 14:1-3).



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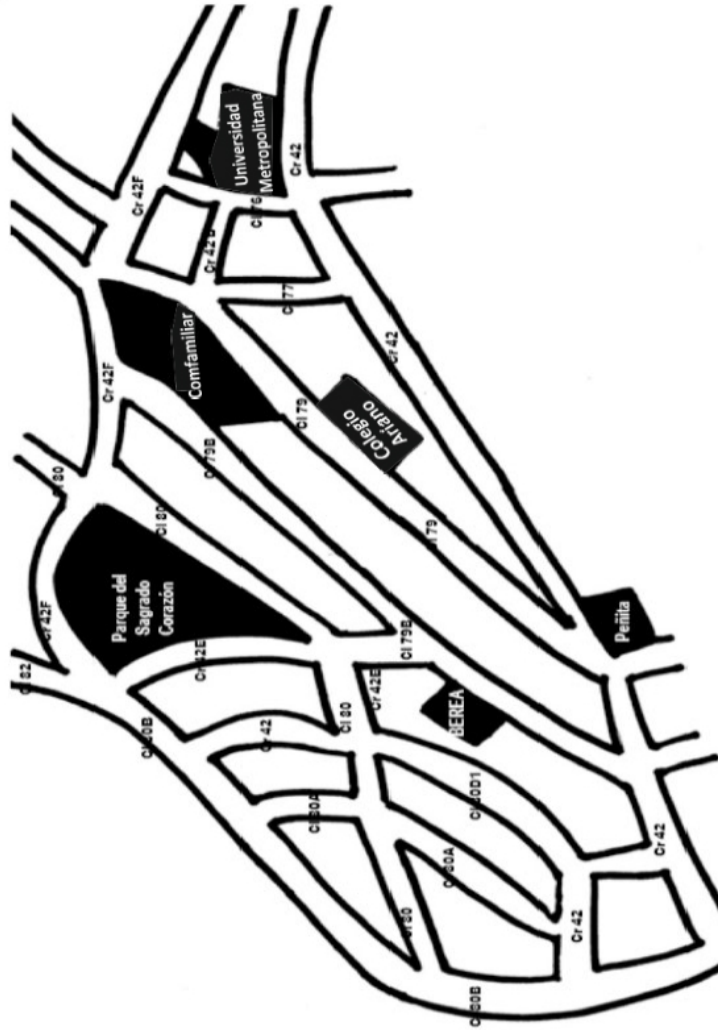


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