



Kep and Debbie Update September 2025

Greetings from Cleveland! Thank you for praying for the work of ESI (Equipping Servants International). Check out our ESI Website <https://equippingservantsinternational.com/testimonials> -- to hear testimonies of how God is transforming lives through the study of His Word.

Prayer Points:

- Continue praying for the De Ark Church in Amsterdam that we visited in July as they seek to make Christ known in Holland.
- Pray for the Costa Rican pastors we met in May preparing to attend our upcoming ESI Training February 2-6 in San Jose. Pray that the Lord will use this upcoming Training to encourage pastors and church leaders to study the Bible so they understand it, live it, and faithfully teach and preach it in their local churches.
- Pray for the 3000 ESI participants in 250 groups in 37 countries, especially for new groups in Italy (4), London (4), Paris (5), Los Angeles (1), Virginia & Florida (3) -- as they study Romans to grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus. Pray that they will grow in their love for God to experience deep gospel transformation in their lives, relationships and local churches.
- Pray for Jose Gutierrez expanding ESI in Central America. Pray for each ESI participant to grow in their understanding of the gospel and their love for Jesus, that they will live the gospel, and teach and preach God's Word faithfully in their local churches.
- Pray for Pastor Sebastian overseeing the work of ESI in Colombia, Panama and Spain. He is encouraged seeing evidences of God's grace transforming many lives.
- Praise for the ILC Church we planted in La Paz, Bolivia, that they will continue to grow as a church in Christ -- in evangelism and discipleship.
- Pray for the ESI groups that La Paz Pastor Edgar Mamani leads in the Tipnis area of the Bolivian jungle helping pastors study the Bible in communities that are traditionally resistant to the gospel.
- Pray for our ESI Africa leader (Paulo Da Silva) working with Isaac Chitibwe (Zambian pastor). Pray that God will help Paulo and Isaac encourage and strengthen ESI leadership teams across Africa. Pray for Paulo's wife (Vania) scheduled for thyroid cancer surgery on Sept 3.
- Pray for Kep and Debbie -- ESI travel September and October
 - September 14-21 ESI leadership meetings Brazil; ESI Facilitator Training in Fortaleza
 - September 21-28 ESI Montevideo
 - Sept 29-October 10 Kep preach ILC Church anniversary La Paz, Bolivia
 - October 11-21 ESI Country-leaders retreat southern South America
 - October 20-25 ESI Country-leaders retreat northern South America
 - October 26-31 ESI pastors conference Rwanda, Africa

We value your partnership in the gospel with us,

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