

# THE COOKES

## MISSIONARIES TO GUATEMALA



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Dear Pastor and Church Family,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. I hope this letter finds you enjoying the blessings of our Heavenly Father. I am writing this letter to let you know about what God has been doing in our lives for some time now. As many of you know, God allowed my family and I to go to Guatemala C.A., learn Spanish, and start the Fountain of Hope Baptist Church. God blessed greatly while we were there, and the church continues growing strong today. After four years of service there, I made the decision to come back to the states and plant a church in New York, thinking that God was through with us on the foreign field. After sometime pastoring there, the burden to go back to the field wouldn't leave. We resigned the church in New York and came back to our home church and began to work, seeking God's direction on the next move in our lives. After being back in Georgia for a few years, we started deputation heading to Colombia S.A. thinking that a new and larger field would offer us a fresh start, and would be better for ministry. I believe this was a rushed decision with no one to blame but myself. Now after returning to Guatemala two years in a row, preaching in the anniversary services of the church there, God has made it clear to me that He wants us to return to the place He had originally called us and continue the work there. As I stated earlier, the first church continues growing and seeing people saved. Our plans are to return, Lord willing, in December of this year to continue planting churches and training leaders in and around Guatemala City. Please forgive me for any problems I might have caused with your trust in our family, but I need to be obedient to God's call on my life. Thank you so much in advance for your understanding. My prayer is that we can continue partnering together to get the gospel to the very needy country of Guatemala C.A.

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