

W5 on Missions

Who... **Emigdio Veizaga** was born in a little town in Bolivia. Before finishing high school, he met Christ and received him as his Lord and Savior. Emigdio studied Theology at the Seminary in Cochabamba, the Union seminary in Buenos Aires and now at Carey Theological College for a D. Min. Emigdio has served the Lord as pastor of six churches, teacher and principal of the Baptist Seminary, member of executive committee and boards of the Bolivian Baptist Union (BBU) and General Secretary for five years.



Emigdio Veizaga

Emigdio is married to Gladys and they have three girls: Debora, Silvia and Jimena, all of them committed Christians.

Emigdio used to play football, basketball and volleyball, but now enjoys listening to music, gardening and reading books. The gifts which God has given him for service are teaching, leadership and counseling.

Where... Cochabamba, Bolivia

When... Emigdio Veizaga began working with Canadian Baptist Ministries as Global Field Staff in February 2004 as Administrator of CBM in Bolivia.

What... Emigdio's main responsibilities are to:

1. Manage funds, inventories, vehicles and send financial reports to CBM monthly.
2. Provide support and assistance to missionaries and volunteers preparing for such things as visa, identification cards, licenses and help in time of emergencies.
3. Work with BBU to identify a variety of projects related to churches, institutions and associations.
4. Prepare BBU, associations and churches to receive Canadian teams or individuals for short term ministries.
5. Develop itineraries and programs for varied types of CBV groups and individuals.
6. Assist CBM in developing new fundraising for new projects presented by the BBU associations.
7. Prepare reports of activities, expenditures, plans for the Government.

Why... "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit - fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name." John 15:16 NIV

Lorna McCain

Corresponding Secretary for UBWMU/ABW



Harris STM Team India 2009

L-R: Sharon Harris, Jack Longhurst,
Ron Harris, Sam Chaise, Jim Rudd.

Undariki Numascaram! (Telugu: To all, Greetings!) We are so grateful for your prayers. We sent our passports away to Vancouver in December. Including mailing time we received them back stamped with our visa within a week! We are amazed and so thankful! The pressure is on now to take care of things here and prepare to leave for our 2009 trip to India. We leave for India February 17.

Pray for our colleagues in India: the BabuRaos and the Sarmas, Suraj, Judson and Jasmine as they do the preparations in India, plan our itinerary, etc. for the 2009 trip. The tentative plan looks busy. We have added two more three day workshops, to have one for each of the Orissa partners, so we are considering six 3-day workshops, and three one day workshops plus church visits, travel, etc. All in five weeks! Pray the Orissa partners will be able to travel to the meetings and for our time together to be one of healing and inspiration after the serious persecution and losses they have suffered.

The end of March CBM has planned a field staff global conference in Delhi to which we appreciate being invited. We are planning to combine our workshops with the trip to the conference. This moves our workshops later this year, once again during Lent which can make it more difficult for the pastors and spouses. Also it will be hotter for us! We pray we can still be a blessing.

Rev. Sam Chaise, director of William Carey Institute, is joining us for 2 weeks prior to the Conference. We also have **Jack Longhurst** and **Jim Rudd** coming with us for the five weeks of workshops. Jack was a missionary in Indonesia. He since has pastored churches in Calgary and is recently retired. Jim was a missionary to India and a pastor in Ontario. We are so glad for each member.

Our workshop theme is "What it means to be a sent church." Theme verse is Jesus' words: *as the Father has sent me so send I you*. Pray for the workshops, for wisdom and protection, that all who attend will be strengthened in the faith.

After the CBM conference we start home April 3, just in time to celebrate once again our Risen Lord. May the thought warm your hearts, excite you! **Ron and Sharon Harris**

From Ron & Sharon Harris' CBM Ministry Update, January 2009 Used by permission.