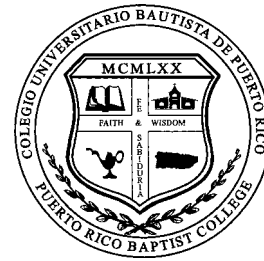


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**“But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them”**

**2 Timothy 3:14**

That was our prayer as we watched this year's graduating class receive their degrees. We rejoice in the way God has worked in the lives of each one of our students. Your prayers and support make it possible for us to continue training young people for the Lord's work. Thank you.

## Another Academic Year Ends

Looking back at all that has happened this academic year, we can only give God the glory and thank Him for His goodness. There were many exciting events during those last weeks: the spring recital, final exams, sermon contest, ladies' devotional contest, among other activities. We had a lovely evening in the Graduation Banquet room which overlooked the bay in Old San Juan. We enjoyed a delicious meal, great video presentations by the computer classes and a surprise dedication of this year's yearbook, which was dedicated to Rev. Bryan and Karen Malik, who for the last three years have taught full-time and served in a many ways at PRBC. Their



*Front row, (from left to right) Dr. Miguel Casillas, PRBC's President, Dr. Víctor Castillo, and Dr. Elmer Fernández. Behind them, the graduates: (from left to right) Martha Alejandre, Xiomara Franqui, Zuley Ramos, Josué Laura, Irving Changano, Raquel Zayas y David Jaraba.*

dedicated service to the Lord and to PRBC has been a great blessing and example. The next evening was the graduation, the culmination of years of hard work. That too was a special evening as our students received awards and our graduates their degrees. We had the privilege of honoring two men of God: Dr. Elmer Fernández, pastor of two Hispanic churches in Illinois and president of Fires of Evangelism, and Dr. Víctor Castillo, faithful pastor in Texcoco, Mexico. The senior class also presented a special tribute to Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lawson. Dr. Lawson who taught as a volunteers while Dr. Lawson was stationed as a Chaplain here in PR. He and his family have been a blessing to us. What is most exciting about this year's graduating class is that each one of them is going directly into full-time Christian service as youth pastors, assistant pastors or Christian school teachers. Please

pray for these as they meet the new challenges of the ministry.

## Summer ministries

Our students will be involved in a number of ministries this summer. Three of our young men will be serving with Neighborhood Bible Time, reaching children and teens in the states. One of our young ladies will be doing her mission internship in India. Two others will be serving in Panama and Costa Rica. Several will be camp counselors and/or teach in Vacation Bible Schools here in Puerto Rico and in the Dominican Republic. Others will be serving in various ministries in their home churches. Please pray for these young people that they will reach many for Christ this summer.

## Unique opportunities at PRBC

Puerto Rico Baptist College offers many unique opportunities to learn and to serve. Our programs of study are taught completely in English or completely in Spanish. Many of our English-speaking students have been able to learn Spanish well enough to preach or to translate. Our Spanish students have also been able to learn English well. While at PRBC, students have the opportunity to serve in a variety of ministries in over 15 local churches. This past year we saw 140 come to know Christ as Savior. Our room, board, and tuition are very economical when compared to most Christian colleges. If you know of a young person who would like to prepare to serve the Lord as a pastor, a missionary or as a Christian school teacher please recommend PRBC. Our new website has all the information you need (cost, courses, application etc): [www.prbc.edu](http://www.prbc.edu). We are praying for more students who truly want to reach the world for Christ.

## Prayer Requests

We would appreciate your prayers regarding the following requests:

- Funds for several projects: 1. Replacement windows for the cafeteria (24 windows at \$150.00 each), 2. Maintenance projects around the campus (\$2,000.00), 3. Six new computers (\$650.00), 4. A portable electric full-sized keyboard (\$1,500.00), and 5. A wireless simultaneous translation equipment (\$1,500.00).
- For prospective students as they apply for Student Visas.
- Special Request: The summer is our most difficult time financially. Our students have had a difficult time paying and our donations have been down. Please pray that we will be able to meet our financial obligations over the summer.

A special word of thanks to all of you who faithfully pray and support this ministry. The investment that you have made will reap eternal rewards. May the Lord continue to bless you.