

# Report from Dewayne, Rita, and Antonio Shappley

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**Our participation in  
World Evangelism and  
Spiritual Instruction,  
and Yours through Us,  
by Means of the  
INTERNET.**



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Also, **videos** on YouTube and Vimeo

Dear Brethren, a somewhat belated **“HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024”** for each and every one of you and your loved ones.

As of 31 December 2023, we have been using the Internet for 21 consecutive years to evangelize, instruct spiritually, and provide resources for teachers and evangelists. 21 years in Spanish. 2 years and 7 months in English. For all but those who specialize in the sciences involved, it is challenging to keep up with the ever-evolving technologies of the Internet. “...in the first quarter of 2023, mobile devices (excluding tablets) generated 58.33 percent of global website traffic.” <https://www.statista.com>. How do you get a document, with graphics and photos, formatted in past years for a desktop, laptop, or at least a tablet-size screen, to fit on that small smartphone screen? That takes a whole different batch of code! Antonio wrote such a code for our Spanish site [www.editoriallapaz.org](http://www.editoriallapaz.org). It is actuated automatically for each document. Of course, the result can never match the quality of the larger screen layout, etc.

During the last three months of 2023, I spent many long hours updating important documents, which were added to the Spanish site [www.editoriallapaz.org](http://www.editoriallapaz.org) across the years, to make them comply with present-day technologies and I continue that task as time allows.

## **INTERNET DATA for the YEAR 2023 and GLOBAL Sessions (Visits) and Documents Opened**

### **Sessions (visits)**

For the entire Year 2023 .....814,319

Daily average for 2023: **2,231**.

**Global**, from January 1, 2003, to December 31, 2023.....**24,830,107**

### Documents opened.

For the **entire Year 2023** ..... **1,589,563**

**Global**, from January 1, 2003, to December 31, 2023.....**47,401,218**

## Data for the year 2023 on Antonio's site of 172 hymns

[www.alabanzas.info](http://www.alabanzas.info)

Visits to the site for the entire year 2023 ..... **12,353**

Hymns accessed during the entire year 2023 ..... **15,774**

## VIDEOS

**Number of Videos** on YouTube and Vimeo.....**38**

**Views** registered to these Videos. GLOBAL ..... **62,191**

**Twenty** of the 38 Videos are ones I myself have produced. 17 in Spanish; 3 in English.

**Eleven** of these are on the book of **Ephesians**. Views registered to them number... **32,835**

**Tres magníficos componentes únicos del “evangelio de salvación” que todo cristiano debería saber y tener presente siempre**

#### El Primer componente

**Alumbrados los ojos del entendimiento, VER y SABER...**

**“...cuál es la ESPERANZA a que él os ha llamado.”**

**La ESPERANZA: “SEGURA y FIRME ANCLA del ALMA”**



“...para que por dos cosas inmutables, en las cuales es imposible que Dios mienta, tengamos un fortísimo consuelo los que hemos acudido para ASIRNOS de la ESPERANZA puesta delante de nosotros. La cual tenemos como SEGURA y FIRME ANCLA del ALMA, y que penetra hasta dentro del velo” del cielo, donde Jesús entró. Hebreos 6:18-20



**152 multi-graphic slides with texts, all animated**, were prepared for this series. Recording was live before a Spanish-speaking class of the West Broward Church of Christ, Plantation, Florida.

Left. Slide 9 of Lesson 5. In Spanish. “*The eyes*

*of your heart enlightened.*” Two graphics illustrate the “*secure and firm anchor of the soul.*”

The right lower one is a photograph of a part of the formation in space called the “*Eye of God.*”

**Fourteen Videos** were prepared by **Antonio**. 1,743 views have been registered to a message he prepared especially for church leaders. In Spanish. *Asuntos Prácticos*. Translated: “*Practical Matters.*” Antonio also animated 9 hymns in Spanish with beautiful graphics and texts, singing them in four-part harmony. Four of his Videos are of a technical nature on how a church can use Google applications to make itself known on the Internet.

**Two sermons** are by **José Pineda**, a Venezuelan evangelist, with a total of 1,437 views registered.

**One sermon** is by **Jorge Ginés**, deacon of the Bayamon, Puerto Rico Church of Christ, with 1,184 views registered to it.

## Evaluations of some Videos

1. The Video in Spanish, translated: ***“Christians and the Secular-Material-Political Nations of the World.”*** The example of the apostle Paul. The double citizenship of Christians. Their right to vote. By DS. 1,023 views.

**Sanford, Florida.**

*“Thanks for that very-*

*much-needed good message in these political times and especially when the world is moving in a direction away from God and the spiritual Kingdom of Christ.”* Julio García

**Nezahualcóyotl, México.** *“Thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for this subject of great reflection by His servant Homero Shappley about the right we have in this earthly world to vote. And how we, as Christians, should be discreet and not blow our own horns in the exercise of such rights, seeking glory, and much less becoming involved in politics, be that among brethren or among the worldly. Better to have intelligent and wise conversations about the Gospel and the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, that is, His Church.”* From a brother of the Church of Christ in Agua Azul.

**Place not identified.** *“What a study of such great blessing! In truth, it leaves one with a lot to think about.”*

2. The Video in Spanish, by Antonio Shappley, translated: ***“Practical Matters.”*** 1,743 views.

**Panamá.** *“Many blessings for all who work in these ministries. May God continue making it possible for you to go on working.”*

3. The eleven Videos on subjects of the book of **Ephesians**. In Spanish, by DS. 152 PowerPoint animated slides. 32,835 views.



**Rosario, Santa Fe, Argentina.** *"Hello, Brother. May God continue to bless you. By this means I wish to thank you for the very good studies I have had the opportunity to hear, see, and examine."*  
 @analiasandes5536

Right. A slide from Lesson 4. *"The Seal of the Promised Holy Spirit."*

**Place not identified.**  
*"An excellent, masterly exegesis by a servant of God the Father,*

*blessed to be used by the Holy Spirit to produce marvelous studies during many years for the holy members of the celestial church of Christ."* @JOHNBAENAPhDIC.

**"...fuisteis sellados con el Espíritu Santo de la promesa..."**

**¿Dónde aparece en el cristiano este sello con el que Dios le sella?**

**"Dios... nos selló como propiedad suya y puso su Espíritu en nuestro CORAZÓN."** 2 Corintios 1:22 NVI



**¡OJO! Dios no puede sellar para él un corazón duro.**



**¡Todos estampados con el sello de Dios!**

**¿Ha procurado usted este sello?**

This evaluation was of Lesson 1 of the Ephesian Videos. 17 slides. 7,453 views.

Mr. John Baena responds to Lesson 2 of the Ephesian Videos (20 slides), identifying himself as a member of the Monte Sión Gospel of Grace Church. The letters "PhDIC" after his name would seem to indicate he has a Doctor of Philosophy Degree. He also qualifies Lesson 2 as *"a wonderful, masterful exegesis."* Both Lessons 2 and 3 are devoted to the doctrine of Predestination.

Responding to Lesson 5 (20 slides) entitled, translating: *"...the Eyes of Your Heart Enlightened,"* John says he is writing *"that you may know that these marvelous, masterly conferences are totally wholesome for our soul and mind, also consoling our heart in peace, as we are strangers in the earthly world..."*

Referring to Lesson 6 (20 slides), John wrote: *"Thanks... for your biblical and masterly studies on the book of Ephesians... for the true people of God the Father."* The title of Lesson 6 is, translating: *"The Offices and Powers of the Resurrected and Glorified Christ."*

To be sure, I give God and Jesus Christ all the glory and honor for all the value and good those who study these materials may find in them. In the process of preparing them, I find myself highly edified and enlightened, always giving thanks to the Almighty for the privilege of thus collaborating in the glorious Works of His Kingdom.

**Valledupar, Colombia. Church of Christ.** Responding to Lesson 2, Alberto López Torres writes: *"Amen! May God continue blessing you and giving you wisdom, Bro. Homero Shappley."*

**Oaxaca, Mexico.** *"Thanks, brother. My father received your studies recorded on cassettes. He passed away, and now his children continue as Christians."* Jose Luis Echeverria. In Puerto Rico, we recorded sermons, studies, and hymns on about 360,000 cassettes.

Matehuala, San Luis Potosí, Mexico. Church of Christ. "An edifying study." @margarito299

Place not identified. "Excellent studies." @edumndogonsales5724

**An example of materials I have prepared in the past few weeks.**

## The Stupendous "Full Reward" of the Great "Rewarder."

Six slides prepared originally in Spanish.

The Spanish version improved and translated to English. This English version may be seen on the Home Page of:  
[www.spiritofprophecies.com](http://www.spiritofprophecies.com).

After my departure from this earthly realm, I am going to **"HEAVEN"** to receive a tremendous **TREASURE of Unparalleled REWARDS!** 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

**The Conditions?**

**1. That I BELIEVE, not doubting. That I have "assurance... conviction."** Hebrews 11:1

For "...without **FAITH** it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach him **MUST BELIEVE** that he **EXISTS** and that **HE REWARDS** those who seek him." Hebrews 11:1-6

**2. That I align my life here with the purposes of God for me, doing his "good, pleasing, and perfect will."** Romans 12:1-2

**3. That I be faithful until my last breath.** Revelation 2:10

**Many prophecies describe the spectacular multifaceted rewards promised by the Celestial Rewarder to all who "search" for him and obey him.** Acts 17:24-28



A wonderful subject, highly motivating. Useful, I would think, not only to encourage and strengthen the resolve of Christians but also to evangelize. Adaptable for classes or a sermon. Both English and Spanish versions are being posted on Facebook, and Lord willing, will be published on X (Twitter) and Instagram.

This report was prepared by Dewayne Shappley. Rita, Antonio, and I are always thankful for the generous support provided by brethren who consider these works worthwhile and wish to keep them going.

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