

## Avanza Líder

### Ministerial Report – April 2026



#### Introduction

By the grace of God, the ministry work of Avanza Líder continued progressing during the month of April 2026 through leadership development, discipleship, and strengthening of local congregations in Honduras. This report follows the ministerial efforts described in the January–February 2026 report and highlights important ministry visits conducted during the month.

#### Follow-Up from Previous Ministry Efforts

Following the leadership development initiatives and congregational strengthening efforts reported earlier this year, continued emphasis has been placed on establishing biblically qualified leadership within the churches connected to the Avanza Líder ministry. The ongoing objective has been to equip faithful men and women for long-term congregational service, discipleship, and spiritual oversight.

All the other different activities as: Online Coaching to ministers, curriculum development, and the pre-work for the production of new videos for small groups, remain as an ongoing regular part of my work.

Special attention during April was given to mentoring present and future elders and deacons through personal instruction, doctrinal discussions, and practical ministry evaluation. The ministry continues encouraging churches toward healthy biblical leadership and congregational maturity.

#### Ministry Visit to La Ceiba, Atlántida, Honduras (April 17–20, 2026)

A ministry visit was conducted from April 17–20, 2026, to the church in La Ceiba, Atlántida, Honduras, with the purpose of continuing the process of elders' selection and leadership training.





During these meetings, several sessions were held focusing on:

- Biblical qualifications for elders and deacons
- Servant leadership within the church
- Shepherding and congregational care
- Family leadership and spiritual maturity
- Unity, discipleship, and church growth

As a result of prayer, observation, and congregational consultation, three couples were selected to begin a trial period as prospective elders, while three additional couples were selected to serve in a trial capacity as deacons.

This represents an important step toward establishing stable and spiritually mature leadership for the continued growth of the congregation in La Ceiba. Ongoing mentoring and evaluation will continue in the coming months as these families develop in their respective responsibilities.

### **Brief History of the Church in La Ceiba, Honduras**

The church in La Ceiba, Atlántida, holds an important place in the history of the work in Honduras. It was established as the second church planted in the country, following the establishment of the first congregation in Honduras, El Pedregal in 1972.

From its early beginnings, the church in La Ceiba became a strategic center for evangelism, discipleship, and missionary outreach along the northern coast of Honduras. Through years of faithful preaching, teaching, and perseverance, the congregation has contributed significantly to the spread of the gospel and the strengthening of other churches in the region.

This congregation has had elders on two different occasions and, for many years, was the only church in Honduras with an established eldership. Sadly, among the first group of three elders, one brother passed away, and another had to relocate because of work many years ago. This brother also passed away only a few months ago. Later, the congregation appointed another group of elders; however, due to several challenges and difficulties, the church eventually had to dissolve its leadership structure. As a result, the congregation became hesitant for many years to attempt establishing elders again.

About five months ago, I began working closely with this congregation, helping encourage and guide the church through the process of leadership development and biblical shepherding. By God's grace, the congregation has now reached the point where new men can be appointed to continue the important task of shepherding the church, which currently consists of approximately one hundred and fifty members.

Despite seasons of challenge and transition, the church has remained committed to biblical teaching and Christian service. The present efforts toward appointing qualified elders and deacons mark another important milestone in the continued maturation and future stability of the congregation.

## **Ministry Visit to Las Lomas del Guijarro, Tegucigalpa**

**April 22–24, 2026**

From April 22–24, 2026, a follow-up visit was made to the congregation in Las Lomas del Guijarro, Tegucigalpa, Honduras. The purpose of this visit was to continue ongoing conversations with the small leadership group regarding the future development, restoration, and strengthening of the congregation.

During these meetings, time was dedicated to encouraging the leadership and addressing several urgent ministry needs currently facing the church. Important discussions focused on congregational restoration, spiritual growth, discipleship development, and the long-term vision for the work in Tegucigalpa. Additional time was spent in prayer, mutual encouragement, and evaluating practical ways to provide continued support and guidance for the congregation.

The church in Las Lomas del Guijarro was once a thriving congregation that played an important role in the work of the church in Honduras. However, over the years, leadership challenges and other difficulties contributed to a significant decline in attendance, stability, and overall congregational health. Despite these setbacks, the congregation still possesses valuable resources, including a large property with significant potential for future ministry development.





Current discussions and planning are centered around several important goals:

- Restoring healthy biblical leadership and congregational stability
- Rebuilding attendance, participation, and community engagement
- Establishing stronger discipleship and leadership training systems
- Developing the church facilities into an Avanza Líder regional center for ministry training and spiritual formation

This visit helped strengthen relationships with the local leaders and renewed hope for the future of the congregation. It also reinforced the commitment of Avanza Líder to assist churches through biblical guidance, leadership development, discipleship training, and long-term ministry support.

## **Conclusion**

We thank God for His faithfulness and for the opportunity to continue serving churches in Honduras through Avanza Líder. The visits to La Ceiba and Tegucigalpa were encouraging and productive, especially in witnessing the willingness of families and leaders to serve and grow in ministry.

Please continue praying for:

- The six couples currently in training and evaluation in La Ceiba
- Wisdom during the elders' selection process
- Spiritual growth and unity within the church in La Ceiba
- The leadership group in Las Lomas del Guijarro
- Continued opportunities for leadership development throughout Honduras

May the Lord continue blessing His church and raising faithful servants for His kingdom.