

# **Project: Purchase of a house to rebuild into a meeting hall for the Christian assembly in Ibagué, Colombia. THANK YOU!**

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This short letter is to thank you for your interest and material support towards the purchase of a house for meeting for the Christian congregation here in Ibagué. Some of you have asked for an update. Here it is:

**24 January 2024:** We made known the need and described the project. We invited you to participate in this project.

**12 February 2024:** Locally available funds were used to provide the house seller with 10% of the purchase value at the moment of signing the Purchase Agreement. The seller agreed to give us 4 months to collect the remaining 90%.

**5 April 2024:** By the end of March, enough gifts had come in to complete the purchase. We met with the sellers in a Notary on Friday 5 April, paid the remaining 90% and received the keys to the house. There was much rejoicing among brothers and sisters here. A long term dream had become a reality. Within a week we had our first elders' meeting in the house, and prayed for God's blessing over this new place. During the following 6 weeks, many helped to remodel, adapt, paint and clean.



**28 April 2024:** Making good use of the swimming pool of the hotel where the assembly has been meeting, we had the joy of baptizing 5 believers. The fee the hotel charged was 1 euro per person who entered the pool: a total of 7 euros given that 2 brothers baptized. It was a very happy occasion, 7 euros well spent!



**12 May 2024:** This was our first Sunday in our new meeting place. We celebrated together with a number of interested visitors.



**The future:** Since the purchase, a few more gifts have arrived. Not enough to begin the larger building project. Perhaps later the Lord will provide. The temporal adaptations already made are very adequate for our current needs. We take this as a sign from the Lord that our priority must now be evangelism

and the development of the congregation, the spiritual building work!

Again, our heartfelt gratitude for your participation in this project. It has been a great encouragement to all of us here.

Philip & Anneke

