

From the Desk of the Executive Director

Dear AETH Community,

Warm greetings as we conclude this second quarter. It is always a privilege to pause and write to you from the shared responsibility we carry and, above all, from a deep sense of gratitude for the path we continue to build together as a community of learning, service, and theological reflection.

These past months have been full of movement, but more than the movement itself, what has stayed with me is the spirit in which we have experienced it: **a spirit of genuine collaboration**. I continue to see how our conversations have become more intentional, how our connections as a network have strengthened, and how, even amid our diverse contexts, we continue to find in AETH a shared space to think, discern, and serve the men and women of the Hispanic church.

At the center of all we do is a clear conviction that defines us: **we exist to form, equip, train, certify, build capacities, and connect**. These are not merely institutional verbs; they are a way of expressing our vocation and our commitment to the church, to society, and to each person who is part of this community. Every initiative, every conversation, and every step we take seeks to remain faithful to this holistic mission.

In the midst of all this, it has been especially encouraging to see how our theological reflection continues to mature. The launch of our **White Paper: Exploring the Latino Vote** is a vivid example of this. If you have not yet read it, I invite you to do so. Indeed, in times when quick answers abound, we continue to lean into discernment, into serious conversation, and into formation that not only informs, but transforms. This conviction remains at the very heart of what we do.

I am also excited about what lies ahead. As we celebrate our 35th anniversary, our **Biennial Gathering 2026: Roots and Horizons** has been taking shape with its own energy and momentum. We do not see it simply as an event but as a sacred space of encounter where we continue to weave together thought, community, and vocation. Alongside this, Q3 opens before us a rich calendar of meaningful gatherings and formative moments. I encourage you to read each page of this newsletter to learn more about all the details, including our new **2026 Summer Pastoral Educational Incentive**.

Thank you for walking together, for sustaining the mission with perseverance, creativity, and faith. I am convinced that God continues to be at work in this collective effort, and that AETH remains a space where that work becomes visible in concrete ways. #WeAreAETH

Rev. Dr. Jessica Lugo

Executive Director of AETH

Association for Hispanic
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The Christian Latina Leadership Institute empowers women to lead

A two-year certification program helps Latinas pursue their callings as ministers and in other fields by offering practical and spiritual education.



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By Bekah McNeel

Meet our team



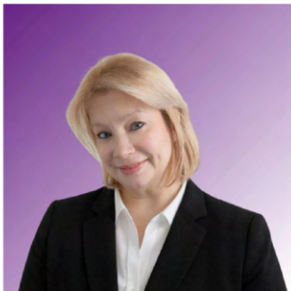
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The Justo and Catherine González Resource Center continues to expand access to the work of Dr. Justo L. González and Dr. Catherine G. González through our growing digital collection



Part of the team was in Atlanta. We were planning new initiatives for our Just Resource Center and Catherine Gonzalez, and we also joined our partners from Candler and La Mesa at an appreciation dinner.

The **Justo and Catherine González Resource Center** continues to expand access to the work of Dr. Justo L. González and Dr. Catherine G. González through our growing digital collection. In recent months, we have added new documents to our online library and redesigned key areas of our website to improve accessibility and navigation. Our updated collection pages make it easier for visitors to discover and engage with our resources by grouping documents together that were originally delivered together, such as Bible studies or lectures series. In addition, **we continue to invest in the development of our database and related projects that will strengthen the Center's digital infrastructure.** We are excited about several initiatives currently underway and **look forward to sharing more substantial developments regarding our online library in the near future.**

As always, we are **deeply grateful for those who support the mission of the Resource Center. If our work resonates with you, we invite you to become a Friend of the Center.** The generosity of our Friends helps sustain and expand our efforts to preserve and share the legacy of Dr. Justo and Dr. Catherine González. We are also **committed to creating opportunities for connection and engagement within this community.** One example of this commitment was an online gathering we hosted at the end of April, where about 20 participants joined Drs. González for an informal conversation about the work of the Center and their personal journeys. The event originated from a suggestion by one of our Friends, who wanted some of her former students to have an opportunity to engage directly with Drs. González.

To learn more about the Friends of the Center and how you can become a Friend, Scan here:



SOPHIA PORTER

Specialist of the "Friends of the Center" Program
Justo & Catherine González Resource Center



The Association for Hispanic Theological Education announces the program reaccreditation, raising the standards for Hispanic theological leadership.

ORLANDO, Florida | May 12, 2026 – The Association for Hispanic Theological Education (AETH) is proud to announce the successful reaccreditation of a distinguished Bible institute certification program. This achievement underscores AETH's unwavering commitment to fostering excellence and elevating the quality of theological education for Hispanic leadership in the United States and beyond.

AETH extends its sincere congratulations to the dedicated staff, faculty, and students of the **Pentecostal Theological Seminary Center for Latino Studies / Centro para Estudios Latinos** for successfully completing all requirements for the reaccreditation of their status as an AETH Certified Bible Institute. This rigorous process confirms their continued adherence to the highest educational and institutional standards:

“The reaccreditation of this certification represents far more than an institutional recognition; it reflects a deep commitment to excellence, holistic formation, and the strengthening of Hispanic leadership for the church and society. At AETH, we celebrate institutions that continue to raise the standards of theological education and open pathways of access, formation, and transformation for future generations of leaders.” — **Rev. Dr. Jessica Lugo, Executive Director of AETH**

The AETH Certification for Bible institutes is a mark of excellence recognized by the prestigious Association of Theological Schools (ATS). This recognition indicates that certified programs meet minimum educational and institutional standards and satisfy expectations of equivalency to undergraduate-level studies.

AETH certification opens doors for students to pursue graduate-level studies at ATS member seminaries that accept this certification as a valid and sufficient admissions criterion.

About the Certified Institution

Pentecostal Theological Seminary Center for Latino Studies / Centro para Estudios Latinos

The Centro para Estudios Latinos of the Church of God in Cleveland, Tennessee, is a division of the Pentecostal Theological Seminary. It has developed a Diploma in Wesleyan Pentecostal Ministry (DMPW) program designed to guide students through an integrated course of study that qualifies them for academic work at the seminary level.

About AETH

The Association for Hispanic Theological Education (AETH) is a network of individuals and institutions that, since 1992, has served the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, and more recently Latin America and the Caribbean. We are a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and strengthening theological education and its impact on the lives of individuals, churches, and communities. We promote and certify the quality of Hispanic theological education programs and contribute to the development of leadership among women and men who strengthen our congregations and communities.

More Information

For more information about the AETH Certification Program, please visit: [Certification Program](#)

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Building Momentum in Hispanic Theological Education: Second Cohort of Awarded Bible Institutes

ORLANDO, Florida | May 12, 2026 – The Association for Hispanic Theological Education (AETH) and Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary (Garrett) are joining forces to strengthen Hispanic theological education. Thanks to the generosity of the Lilly Endowment Inc., they are launching the second cohort of their **Capacity Development Program for Bible Institutes**. The second cohort is made up of 16 Bible institutes located in several U.S. states and Puerto Rico, including Texas, California, Florida, Indiana, Washington, and Tennessee.

Program Impact:

- More than \$311,000 in microgrants to 16 Bible institutes in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.
- Each institute will receive up to \$25,000 in capacity-building resources.
- Specialized coaching, leadership training, and strategic planning support.

Objective:

Strengthen the sustainability and the short- and long-term impact of these institutes by promoting innovation, good governance, leadership, and access to excellent theological education. Funds will be used to acquire technology, develop boards of directors, train faculty, purchase library resources, and optimize administrative systems.

Second Cohort Awardees:

Sixteen institutes were selected after a thorough evaluation process.

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| Centro de Estudios Bíblicos y Ministerio (CEBM) – TX | Seminario Teológico y Ministerio Cristiano Anderson University – IN |
| Conexión Pastoral – CA | Escuela Teológica José Aracelio Cardona – PR |
| Universidad Pentecostal Mizpa – PR | Rhema Theological Institute, Inc. – FL |
| Latin American Leadership Center – CA | Instituto de Ministerio a las Iglesias – PR |
| Vision Theological Center – CA | Instituto Bíblico Fuente de Verdad – CA |
| USA Hispanic Educational Ministries (Church of God - Cleveland, TN) – TN | Instituto de Capacitación para Líderes Congregacionales – PR |
| Alberto Mottes University – CA | Inter American University of Puerto Rico – PR |
| Escuela Teológica y Formación Ministerial – PR | Northwest Bible Institute - WA |

“Bible Institutes are a vital part of the broader Hispanic theological education ecosystem. They are spaces of formation, discernment, and calling that have historically served as the first point of access to Christian leadership for thousands of individuals. Through this initiative, AETH reaffirms its commitment to accompanying, strengthening, and expanding the institutional capacities of Bible Institutes so they may continue serving their communities and future generations with greater sustainability, excellence, and impact.”

— **Rev. Dr. Jessica Lugo, Executive Director of AETH**



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Wabash Center Grant



Receiving this grant represents much more than just financial assistance for our institution. For us, it stands as a testament to a process of growth, learning, and ministerial affirmation that we have experienced over the past few years. As ECHAM Theological University, we feel deeply grateful and honored to have been selected for this opportunity.

Looking back, we recognize that we have not walked this path alone. The mentorship, guidance, and support provided by AETH have been fundamental at every stage of this process. Through their support, our institution has continued to strengthen itself academically and administratively, developing a clearer and more sustainable vision for serving our communities.

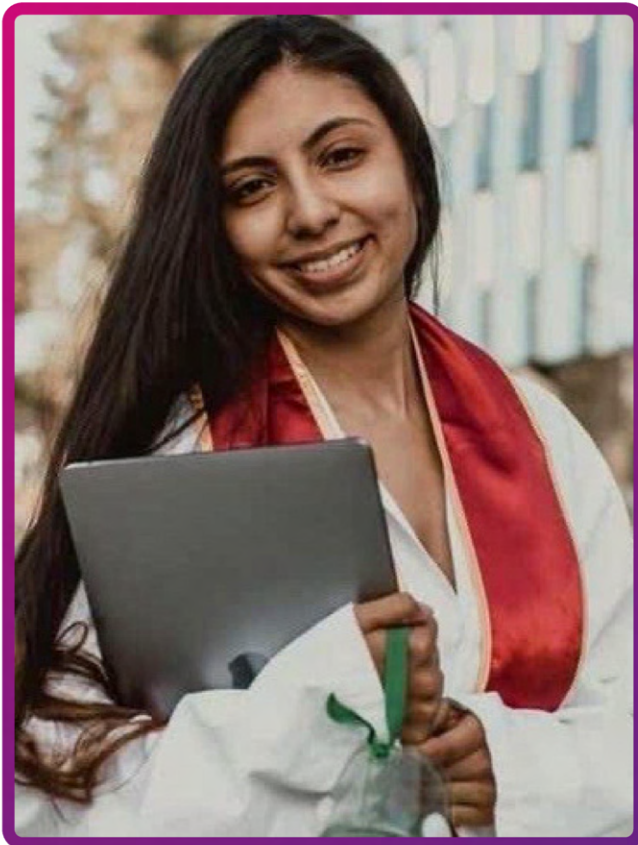
Today, we celebrate this achievement with humility and hope, thanking the entire AETH family for believing in ECHAM and for walking alongside us. We continue to believe and to work, convinced that God continues to open doors for Hispanic theological education.



Dr. Danny Santiago Torres
President
ECHAM Theological University

Earn a Short Course Diploma Today: La Mujer y la Predicación

We celebrate the first graduate of our **Diplomado Corto: La Mujer y la Predicación**, an online program created to provide accessible theological and practical formation for all who are called to preach, lead, and serve the church with courage, depth, and faithfulness.



“Taking the course “Women and Preaching” was a deeply enriching and transformative experience in my life. Although I am not a preacher, I am 30 years old and currently pursuing a Master of Theology and Ministry at Fuller Theological Seminary. This course helped me grow spiritually and develop greater confidence in my teaching skills and in communicating God’s Word.

One of my favorite parts was learning how God also calls and uses women to serve, teach, and proclaim His Word. The lessons helped me become more aware of the importance of biblical training for women in my local church, especially as we begin new spaces for growth and women’s discipleship.

I’m very grateful for everything I learned, because this course not only strengthened my biblical knowledge, but also deepened my desire to serve my community with greater preparation, sensitivity, and purpose.”

-Stephanie

Scan the QR code to register for the Short Course Diploma: La Mujer y la Predicación



Our **Compelling Preaching** program gives thanks to the Holy Spirit for guiding this work by the grace of God and for allowing us to serve the Church through formation, reflection, and the faithful proclamation of His Word.

La mujer y la predicación **CURSO CORTO**

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- REV. ANA, JESSICA LOPEZ
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- REV. LORA TOVAR

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We Preach: Living Word, a Voice on a Mission - The Word that Heals, Shapes, and Sends

We are also preparing for **Prediquemos**, an upcoming live preaching event in partnership with **Church Of God Mid Atlantic Region** in Maryland, designed to equip and encourage preachers around the healing, forming, and sending power of God's Word.



PREDICAMOS: PALABRA VIVA, UNA VOZ EN MISIÓN

La Palabra que Sana, Forma y Envía

RECURSOS INVITADOS:



Obispo José Raúl Febus



Dra. Jessica Lugo



Dra. Litza Rivera



Dr. Oscar Merlo



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DE 2026



HORARIOS:

- VIERNES:**
- REGISTRO 6PM-7PM
 - ACTIVIDAD 7PM-9PM

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- REGISTRO 8-9AM
- ACTIVIDAD 9AM-3:30PM



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Young Líderes Continues to Equip Emerging Leaders

YOUNG LÍDERES 2026

AUGUST
AUG. 1 Grant Writing Session
Zoom

OCTOBER
OCT. 15-17 YL's Meet-and-Greet at the Biennial 2026: Decatur, Georgia

NOVEMBER
NOV. 18 Theology en el Barrio: Celebrating Faith and Culture
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Grant writing with Zoom

with Karl Lehman

- Learn the essentials of grant applications and budgeting
- Gain practical tools for developing sustainable programs with measurable impact.

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SATURDAY
AUGUST 1 2026

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In April, Young Líderes (YL's) hosted an inspiring virtual gathering titled Caring for the Soul That Serves, facilitated by Rev. Dr. Alma Tinoco. This session created a meaningful space for participants to share experiences, reflect on the challenges of leadership and ministry, and gain practical tools for caring for themselves while serving others. Participants left encouraged and equipped with new resources and insights to implement within their communities.

Coming Soon

Grant Writing Proposals Workshop

August 1, 2026, with Karl Lehman

- Learn the fundamentals of grant proposal writing and budgeting.
- Gain practical tools to develop sustainable programs with measurable impact.

This valuable training is offered free of charge and is intended for AETH Young Leaders who are members. If you are not yet a member, this is the perfect time to join and take advantage of this opportunity, along with many other resources and programs that AETH offers.

Coming in 2027

NEW FORMATIONAL COHORT FOR EMERGING FACULTY

To become an AETH member with Young Líderes, contact mescala@aeth.org and receive your discount* TODAY.

*Limited time

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Writing for Print Publication Cohort Reaches its Halfway Mark



The Writing for Print Publication Cohort has reached its halfway point as participants continue developing their book proposals alongside Dr. Justo González. His expertise, guidance, and mentorship throughout this process have been invaluable to the growth and development of each participant's project.

Over the coming months, **cohort members will engage in one-on-one sessions with Dr. González, receiving personalized feedback and support as they refine their ideas and strengthen their proposals.** These individual meetings will provide an important opportunity for participants to navigate the writing and publishing process with greater clarity and confidence.

We are excited to witness the progress of each cohort member and look forward to seeing their book proposals continue to take shape. We celebrate their dedication, creativity, and commitment as they move forward in this transformative journey with AETH.



Theological **education and Christian leadership development are undergoing a period of transformation.** The challenges facing churches and communities require leaders who can respond with knowledge, discernment, cultural awareness, and a deep understanding of the contexts in which they serve. In this environment, leadership preparation calls for approaches that are more accessible, contextualized, and connected to the realities of those engaged in ministry and Christian service.

It is within **this vision that the Center for Excellence and Leadership emerges as an AETH initiative dedicated to strengthening Hispanic leadership through opportunities for learning, development, and accompaniment that respond to the needs of the church and the communities it serves.**

The **Center is rooted in the experience and vision developed through the Hispanic Leadership Hub, a responsibility AETH assumed as part of the Faith and Leadership Collaborative (FLC).** The Hub was designed to provide contextualized support for Hispanic leaders through programs focused on faith, leadership, and social impact while taking into account the realities of multilingual and multigenerational Hispanic communities. Building on that work and relying on our national network, the Center expands this vision and transforms it into a broader and more sustainable strategy for leadership development.



Its **purpose is to accompany individuals throughout their ministerial and formational journeys,** creating pathways for growth that strengthen their knowledge, competencies, and leadership capacities. Rather than offering isolated activities, the Center seeks to connect opportunities that enable each person to continue developing according to their needs, experience, and stage of service for the church, academy and society.

The Center will also **promote pathways that facilitate educational continuity for those seeking to deepen their academic and ministerial preparation.** This includes guiding participants in identifying opportunities to pursue further studies at seminaries and theological institutions, helping to build bridges between different stages of learning and development.

The Center's **initiatives will focus on strengthening leadership and preaching, theological formation, capacity building for service, effective practices of ministries and organizations,** and other areas related to the growth and sustainability of Christian ministry.

Through this initiative, **AETH reaffirms its commitment to the formation of leaders for the present and the future of the Church.** The Center for Excellence and Leadership aspires to become a space that connects opportunities for development, facilitates theological educational continuity, and accompanies individuals through the various stages of their ministerial, practical, or scholarship growth and service, contributing to the strengthening of the Hispanic church and the communities it serves.

Stay tuned for more details as we prepare to launch the first phase of our center in 2027.

LITZA RIVERA
Associate Director for Formation,
Academics and Resources





In recent years, **the Antioquia Program has promoted Hispanic theological reflection through initiatives oriented toward dialogue among the church, academia, and the broader community.** As part of its ongoing development, this effort now enters a new phase with the creation of the Antioquia Theological Accelerator.

This **AETH initiative seeks to expand the capacity of Hispanic theological education** to generate knowledge, develop resources, and foster spaces for collaboration while becoming an accelerator for many hispanic theologians, practioners and ministers. Building upon the foundation established by the Antioquia Program, **the Accelerator will serve as a space** for individuals, institutions, and faith communities committed to a rigorous, contextualized, and relevant theology.

Recognizing the value of the experiences, questions, and insights that emerge from ministerial practice, **the Accelerator will seek to strengthen the connections between academia and the church.** Through initiatives focused on research, formation, dialogue, resource generation, and exchange, it will contribute to the development of leaders, educators, students, and institutions serving in a variety of ministerial, educational, and community contexts.

As part of this effort, **the Accelerator will cultivate capacities among faculty and leaders of Bible institutes who are already doing valuable work in the education of lay ministers. In a manner complementary to La Biblioteca Digital Pitts, it will contribute to strengthening AETH's** network of Bible institutes by supporting teaching, research, institutional development, and leadership formation through workshops, webinars, and collaborative research initiatives.

Through this initiative, **AETH reaffirms its commitment to the development of Hispanic theological education.** The Antioquia Theological Accelerator aspires to be a space that advances knowledge, collaboration, and resources in service of theological reflection that is robust, accessible, and relevant to academia, the church, and the broader community.

DANNY ROMÁN
Consultant for
Antioquia and Accelerator





ANTIOQUIA

| DATE | FORMATIVE EXPERIENCE | PLACE - MODALITY |
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| August 27 September 3, 10, and 17 | Tertulias Pastorales: Hacia una pastoral de la ternura Dr. Harold Segura | Zoom |
| September 18-19 | Trauma and Theology: The voice of the church, the academy, and the community in reflection and dialogue Resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Marcos Canales - Trauma and Theology: From the Voice of the Church • Dr. Alma Tinoco Ruiz – Trauma and Theology: From the Voice of Academia • Dr. Jennifer Guerra - Trauma and Theology: From the Voice of the Community | Northwest Nazarene University 623 S University Blvd Nampa, ID |
| October 31 | Cumbre Revitalizing Ministry with Emerging Generations Resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raquel López • Mónica Ramírez • Prof. Ana M. Cepero • Dr. Ana C. Greller • Diego Rivadeneira • Dr. Harold Segura | Instituto Bíblico "Rvdo. Juan Figueroa Umpierre Urb. Flamingo Terrace 1990 Calle Marginal Bayamón, PR |





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RECURSO INVITADO:
DR. HAROLD SEGURA



 **AGOSTO 27**
SEPT 3, 10, 17

 **HORARIOS:**
7:00PM
HORA DEL ESTE

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AETH Biennial Gathering 2026: Roots and Horizons



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35 Years Sowing Roots and Building Horizons

At the cornerstone of celebrating AETH's 35th Anniversary, we invite you to join us at the Association for Hispanic Theological Education (AETH) **18th Biennial Gathering, Roots and Horizons**, at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. This will be a hybrid event that you can attend in person or online from October 15-17, 2026.

This is the space where we celebrate our roots and cultivate new horizons. Thirty-five years ago, we gathered in Decatur to imagine the future of Hispanic theological education. This year, we return to that sacred place where those dreams took root and flourished, opening new horizons of hope, innovation, and faithful service for generations to come.

We will be joined by 22 distinguished scholars, practitioners, and leaders who will guide us in reflection, dialogue, and learning as we honor our past, engage the present, and envision the future of Hispanic theological education for the flourishing of the larger Church.

Come and celebrate this historic milestone with us as we continue stewarding the sacred legacy entrusted to us by God for generations to come.

The banner features a gradient background from orange to purple. On the left, there is a large white wave logo above the text 'Biennial 2026 Roots and Horizons'. To the right of this are the AETH and 35th Anniversary logos. Below the main title, the dates 'October 15-17 2026' and the location 'Columbia Theological Seminary Decatur, GA' are listed. On the right side, the text 'REGISTER TODAY HYBRID EVENT' is prominently displayed in white and yellow. Below this is a QR code and the text 'Early Bird Registration:'. At the bottom left, there are social media links for 'aeth.org' and 'aeth_org'. At the bottom right, the hashtag '#SomosAETH' is visible.



AETH Biennial Gathering 2026: Roots and Horizons



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Our *resources* for the **Biennial** 2026



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where we learn together and are transformed.

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The Gathering El Quehacer Teológico Latinoamericano: Pasado, Presente y Futuro



From May 26 to 28, 2026, the **Hispanic Theological Education Association (AETH)** and the **International Baptist Theological Seminary (SITB)** held the conference **El Quehacer Teológico Latinoamericano: Pasado, Presente y Futuro** in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The event brought together 212 participants in a space for reflection, dialogue, and academic exchange dedicated to examining the trajectory of Latin American theology, its current challenges, and future opportunities.

The first day was dedicated to historical memory and the development of Latin American theological thought. The lectures and panels explored how theology in Latin America has been shaped by processes of critical reception, adaptation, and missionary reinterpretation, as well as by the ongoing dialogue between the Global South and the Global North. **The conversations highlighted the importance of recognizing both the historical contributions received and the capacity of Latin American communities to generate their own theological responses.**

The **second day focused on contemporary** trends influencing theological education and church life. Discussions highlighted the importance of contextualization, communal discernment, valuing voices that have traditionally been marginalized, and the need to move beyond binary or reductionist approaches in order to respond to the complexity of current contexts. **Participants reflected on how to form leaders with spiritual depth, critical thinking, and pastoral sensitivity to serve their communities.**

The **third day was dedicated to considering the challenges and opportunities that will shape the future of theological education.** The day was marked by the participation of emerging young leaders and SITB students, who shared their reflections, projects, and initiatives related to the mission of the church, leadership, and theological formation. **Their presentations demonstrated the commitment of new generations to Christian service and to seeking relevant responses to the challenges of our time.** The conversations emphasized the importance of strengthening spaces where new generations can actively contribute to the development of theological thought and the life of the church.

The conference concluded by reaffirming the value of dialogue, cooperation, and mutual learning for the strengthening of theological education in Latin America.

LITZA RIVERA
Associate Director for Training,
Academics, and Resources



Over 30,000 people reached through our digital platforms during the first semester of 2026

During the first six months of 2026, we have witnessed the fruit of a sustained collective effort by the AETH team, our collaborators, and our training programs. Together, we have accompanied leaders, strengthened institutions, and served communities across diverse contexts.

Through gatherings, training processes, spaces for dialogue, academic initiatives, and ministerial accompaniment, we continue to strengthen capacities, expand learning opportunities, and affirm the calling of those who faithfully serve the church and the Hispanic community.

STORIES THAT REFLECT IMPACT: **A RENEWED PREACHING VOICE**

At **Latidos: El Ritmo de la Palabra y Voz Encarnada**, held in Chicago as part of **Compelling Preaching**, participants reflected on how preaching emerges not only from biblical study, but also from the history, culture, and memory of a people.

A participant shared:

The workshop helped me remember the importance of my own experience and the experience of my people in preaching. As a result, there was a renewed awareness that God also forms faithful, contextual, and transformative voices from the lived experience of communities.

We continue to believe that when leaders and institutions are accompanied, the Church is strengthened and communities flourish. Thank you for walking alongside this mission, which continues to form leaders with vision, faithfulness, and hope for present and future generations.

With gratitude,

AETH Team

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BE PART OF THIS IMPACT**



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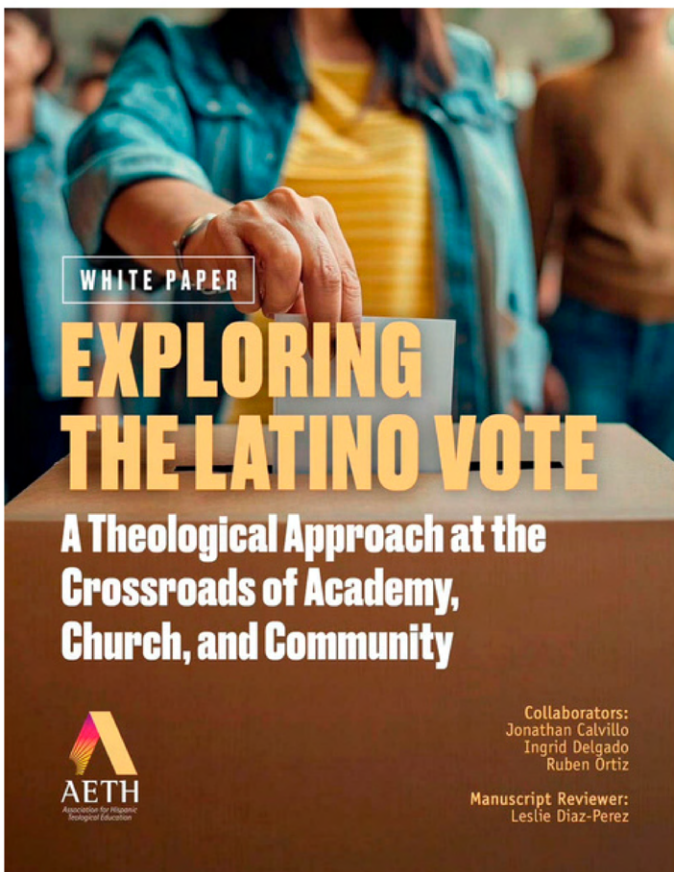
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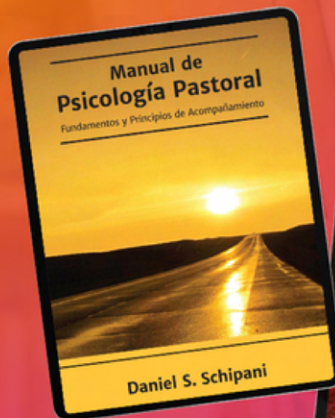
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