

Empowered Leaders ➔ Transformed Communities

## JOHN 14:26

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you."

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## THE ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE STRIVING CHRISTIAN

For every Christian striving to live a life pleasing to God, the role of the Holy Spirit is indispensable. In a world full of distractions, challenges, and spiritual battles, the Holy Spirit serves as a constant guide, comforter, and source of power. Far beyond a theological concept, the Holy Spirit is the active presence of God in our lives, shaping us into the image of Christ and equipping us for His work. Let's explore the profound ways in which the Holy Spirit empowers believers, providing the strength to thrive in faith and mission.

### The Challenges of the Striving Christian

Living as a Christian frequently resembles navigating through unfamiliar and challenging situations. We face temptations, discouragement, and the weight of responsibilities in our homes, workplaces, and communities. The striving Christian can feel isolated or powerless against the struggles of a fallen world. Here, the Holy Spirit steps in as our Helper, ensuring we are never alone. As Romans 8:26 reminds us, "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans."

### The Holy Spirit as a teacher and comforter

The Holy Spirit fulfills Jesus' promise to teach us and remind us of His words (John 14:26). Through Scripture, prayer, and moments of stillness, the Spirit reveals God's truths and aligns our hearts with His will. Additionally, the Spirit provides comfort during trials, reassuring us of God's presence and sovereignty. This divine encouragement strengthens us to persevere, even when the path seems daunting.

### Empowered for Spiritual Growth and Mission

The Holy Spirit not only comforts but also equips us for growth and service. By cultivating fruits such as love, joy, peace, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23), the Spirit transforms our character. Furthermore, the Spirit grants spiritual gifts—teaching, evangelism, and mercy—that enable us to serve effectively in God's Kingdom. For missionaries and church leaders, this empowerment is especially critical, as they carry the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

### Transforming Communities Through the Spirit

When Christians submit to the Spirit, His power moves beyond individuals to transform entire communities. Spirit-led believers become catalysts for change, addressing social needs while proclaiming the Gospel. Schools, clinics, and justice initiatives rooted in the Spirit's guidance demonstrate God's love in action. These efforts leave a lasting impact, bringing hope and healing to broken communities.

### Living Spirit-Led Lives

Let us renew our dependence on the Holy Spirit. Whether you are navigating daily challenges or serving in ministry, the Spirit's guidance and power are essential. Through prayer and submission, we can thrive as striving Christians and participate in God's transformative work.

### Partner with Global One80 to Make a Difference

Visit [GlobalOne80.org](http://GlobalOne80.org) to learn about how the Holy Spirit is empowering missionaries and transforming lives. Your prayers and support can help expand this vital work, bringing the Gospel and tangible hope to communities around the world. Together, we can glorify God through Spirit-led missions.

## UPDATES

### MINISTRY UPDATES:

- The first development and the one that I think is the most beautiful is that 2 young people in Merida are taking the leadership of the ministry in this city. And, they are planning very well the ministry for this one, to impact the university community and reach other local communities.
- I appreciate the leadership, and the good mentoring processes, which is now seeing them serve.
- We are making ministerial alliances with different ministries for the growth and integral formation of our leaders in Venezuela.
- Soon if it is God's will I will be traveling to Uruguay to teach in the training school.
- Grateful for my calling in Venezuela, But also mobilize in Latin America.

### KATHERINE PÉREZ

Latino Mobilizer



### MINISTRY UPDATES:

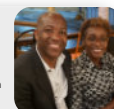
- We need a monthly budget for the work in Merida.
- Budget for activities (cell)
- Budget for mobilization
- Support for the primary needs of the leaders.

### PERSONAL/SPIRITUAL NEEDS:

- I would like you to pray for my spiritual life and vision for the next few years.
- Please pray for my health, I need to have a medical checkup to rule out ovarian cyst and for regular hormone treatment.

### ALVARA & PEDRO JAVIER FERRER

Latino Mobilizer



### MINISTRY UPDATES:

- In addition to pastoring and leading the missions ministry in the local church I have just been elected as regional missions director at the conciliar level.

### FINANCIAL NEEDS:

- We need resources to carry on the work both locally and personally.

### PERSONAL/SPIRITUAL NEEDS:

- We need a little more financial resources to support the family, since my wife and I are working full time and the church where we are is small and with little resources, we also need a vehicle for which we are praying.



## NEEDS

**Ongoing Need: We must raise \$6,000 monthly for our ministry operations.** Help us pray and connect us with churches, individuals, organizations, and businesses that could support this need financially.