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## Prayers for Colombia

On Monday, August 10, western Colombia experienced a 7.4 magnitude earthquake. Organizations like *Samaritan's Purse* and *Convoy of Hope* responded immediately, along with many others eager to help in the midst of a devastating tragedy.

Freedom to Lead's largest Latin America partner - **Mesa Global** - has its Regional Hub located in Colombia. In fact, the FTL International Team is due to fly there this Saturday (August 15) for our next module on *Leading Teams*, something that has been scheduled for five months. This cohort of ministry leaders consists of many coming from different parts of the continent, several of whom live and work near the earthquake's epicenter. All have reported they are safe as they share stories. One wrote yesterday, "*My uncle had been sick in bed for two days and the house where he lives was completely destroyed, but he got out in time.*" While the experience was indeed terrifying, they are proclaiming their trust in God. Now they are looking for ways to lead the church to respond in serving their communities.

**It is moments like these that Christ-centered leaders are needed to live out their calling in real time.**

As of right now, we are still scheduled to gather in Medellin next week for *Leading Teams*. We do, however, ask for your prayers.

- Please pray for each person who will be traveling to Medellín for our time together. They will be coming from Panama, Chile, Argentina, Paraguay, and various parts of Colombia. A few will be arriving from North America.
- Pray as we learn from Jesus and from each other about what it means to be *Leading Teams* in a Christ-centered way. Help us understand that we were never meant to do this great work alone.
- Pray that we will hold space to reflect, grieve, and pray for those affected by the earthquake.
- Ask the Lord to give the FTL team wisdom on how to come alongside our Latin American partners during this time.
- Pray that the Lord will be glorified in all that we say and do as we gather together for the week.

**Thank you for praying,**

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**Join us in praying for  
Colombia!**