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## IX IBERO-AMERICAN MISSIONS CONFERENCE PANAMA, OCTOBER 13-16, 2009



Sixteen nations were represented at the recent ninth Ibero-American Missions Conference, October 13-16 in Panama. **Cuba** was represented for the first time, and a spontaneous offering of more than \$1,400 was received to use for missions outreach in the country. Rick and Clara are planning an exploratory trip to Cuba early in 2010.



*Rick West with Cuban Pastor*

Dr. H.C. Wilson, Global Partners' general director, preached the opening message of the historic conference, which saw the launch of the **Ibero-American Wesleyan Fellowship**. The purpose of the conference was to bring together Latinos in the Spanish and Portuguese-speaking world to take seriously the Great Commission. The emphasis of the conference was on trans-cultural missions and missions awareness, fund-raising, recruiting, training, and mobilizing Latino missionaries in other nations. Currently, the board for the Ibero-American and Caribbean Missions Movement is responsible for Wesleyan ministry outside the continent in **Spain**, eight congregations and two countries in Africa;



*Orlando Cordoba, missionary to Mali*



*AD, Jarvis Ferguson, translating for Dr. HC*

**Mali** in the 10/40 Window with two congregations and **Equatorial Guinea** with fourteen. Orlando Cordoba, a missionary from Nicaragua working in Mali, Africa, challenged young Latinos to dedicate their lives to serve Christ. Several responded by making a public commitment. Plans are also under consideration to begin ministry in the country of Uruguay.

**Thank you for your prayers!**

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*Below:*

*Clara with a young Kuna lady in Panama's rural island community of Playón Chico, she is a member of the Wesleyan Church there.*

