

The Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America (CEDEPCA), given the current situation that has deprived the Reverend Delia Leal Mollinedo, our sister and coworker of freedom, affirms:

- 1) That CEDEPCA, within its pastoral work seeks to "Promote in individuals and communities the development of innovative and transformative pastoral actions in our contexts, for the construction of a more just world."
- 2) That through our work we strive to "Promote life in abundance for all persons through our theological interpretations and through our actions. Our commitment to life leads us to reject and denounce violence in all its forms. It also prompts us to care for and celebrate the diversity of God's creation."
- 3) That women and men have been created in the image and likeness of God, motivating us to analyze social reality from a gender perspective and work on behalf of equitable relationships between women and men.
- 4) That we assume interculturality as a project of peaceful coexistence between people and communities of different cultures and worldviews.

Along with the work carried out by our sister Delia, we have worked toward the creation of an intercultural space that offers training and accompaniment from a liberating Christian faith to women of Central America and Mexico. To this end, Delia has exercised the role of educator, has provided pastoral accompaniment, and has promoted women's rights, primarily in Cobán, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Through her work, she has shown a genuine interest in the entire well-being of girls, teenage girls, young and adult women in Guatemala.

The life practice of our sister Delia has manifested trustworthiness and commitment to neighbors; we have no doubt of her Christian ethics, which are in agreement with the values of the Kingdom of God.

Within the current context that has deprived our sister and co-worker, the Reverend Delia Leal Mollinedo, of her freedom, we express:

- Our solidarity with our sister Delia, her family, and the community of faith in these moments of uncertainty.
- Our hope that the current situation of injustice that Delia faces is fully clarified.
- Our hope of her prompt release and restoration of her honor.

We are grateful to churches, institutions, and individuals for their prayers, expressions of solidarity and support at this time.

"...And you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

John 8:32

Guatemala, December 30th, 2020.