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Missionary to Mexico.



Dear brethren,

It has been crazy these few months. I hope everyone is doing well. I have been wondering what to write in this prayer letter since not much has happened. Being stuck inside can make a person go crazy! No, but even locked inside, it has been a blessing. I have not been able to go out to see new churches, but God has given me this time to be able to study the Bible and to make new sermons, this is something that I took advantage of during this lockdown. I thank God for the time He gave me to be able to study His word. I also want to thank God for helping me through this pandemic too. I only have two churches supporting me, and just when I am running out of funds, God provided me by allowing me to get the stimulus check. That was a huge blessing! God is good all the time.

Even though the world is on pause, especially churches, God is still working. His Gospel is still getting to the lost souls. Here in Mebane, NC, the Church started to have drive-thru services, I thought it was pretty awesome to be able to do something different. Not only through drive-thru services is the Gospel being preached, but online as well. Ever since the pandemic started, a lot of pastors in the states and Mexico have begun to stream their sermons through Facebook live. Ever since my Pastor started live-streaming his sermons, more people who have not heard the Gospel have been able to listen to the plan of salvation. It got me thinking that even though we miss being able to see our brethren in churches, has the Church been taking the Gospel to the lost souls? I hope that is not the case. For it is the Church's responsibility to preach the Gospel to the lost souls in the World (Matthew 28:19-20).

The work in Mexico has not stopped either. Classes are still going on; the difference is they are online now. My Pastor and the teachers are given their courses through an application called ZOOM. The downside about having classes during this time is that the bible college has graduation generally in May, but because of the COVID-19, the school will try to have graduation in the first week of July. If Mexico still in lockdown by then, the school will only hand out certificates to the graduates. The Church in Tala, Mexico, is still in construction mode. They were finally able to finish the rebar work. Next Monday, the Church will build walls. For now, the Church only has funds to build walls, so it will not have windows and any other steel supplies. The plan is to put a tent inside the building once the walls are up that way the congregation can start their services on their new property. Another work that began in Mexico is that a new family started going to the Church in Tala. It is the town next door of Tala called Cuicillos, Mexico. Pastor Moises Contreras began giving the new family bible studies, and more people started to join. It looks like a new mission can begin in the town of Cuicillos, Mexico.

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s Contact: cell:(805)865-0365 Email: <u>sallara@wwntbm.com</u> Sending Church: Centro Biblico de Gracia Calle Puerto Ensenada 57 Zapopan, Jalisco, MX 45060 I ask to help pray for this new family in Cuicillos, Mexico. Help pray that a new mission can start in that town. Also, keep praying for the Church in Tala as well. The Church is anxious to get together to have services in their new property. Hopefully, the lockdown can be lifted by then. Also, pray for the bible college so that the graduates can celebrate completing those hard years in the bible college. keep in your prayers for every Pastor that is going through this pandemic. It is not easy to be away from their churches. Pray for all the missionaries as well. I also ask to help me pray that I can get through this pandemic. And most of all, keep praying the even though we are still in lockdown, that the Gospel can reach out to the lost souls who have never heard the plan of salvation.

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