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"Finally, brethren,
PRAY FOR US,
that the word of the Lord
may have free course, and
be glorified, even as it is
with you."
(2 Thessalonians 3:1)

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

3 John. 2

Dear Supporters,

Of course, one of the most sought-after goals in this world, even among Christians, is prosperity. But prosperity for things of this life: what to eat, what to drink, what to wear. I'm not saying that these things aren't necessary for living. Of course, they are! However, as the apostle John tries to tell us, there is more blessing in having prosperity for our souls. Dear brothers, that is a simple thought, but let us not forget it.

In this prayer letter, there are several things I need to share with all of you, dear brethren, so you'll be able to pray for us more accurately. Having said that, I do want to thank you very, very much for your constant prayers for us here in Spain.

You may remember from our last prayer letter that we had a family that I wanted to consider as the future pastor of our church. After several months with us, I talked with him and told him I did not see that he would be a good pastor for our church. He made some decisions that I was not in favor of, and besides that, his behavior was not proper for a pastor. The point is, he just recently came to me to say he was sorry. I recognize that he needed more maturity. He apologized for his behavior with me and the church. He is now leaving Valladolid to move to Madrid. The point is that he seems now humbler and a little more mature. I really appreciate him doing that. I count that as a blessing.

By the way, I ask you for your prayers on this subject; we still need a future missionary pastor. Please pray with us.

Concerning my surgery, I have to say that I am totally recovered. However, it has not been easy because I had to have a lot of care on my wound for many weeks, and I had to continually wear the urinary catheter for six weeks.

A couple of weeks ago, I went to visit a dear pastor who suddenly suffered angina pectoris while he was out of his place of living. As soon as one of his sons told me, I went to the hospital to stay with him. They live in Valencia, East of Spain. At that moment, he and his dear wife were in Huesca, almost 400 kms (about 250 miles) from their home. I traveled for some 5-hour driving. I stayed with them for three days. When he recovered, as they left back to their home, I decided to go to Tarragona, where I have very good friends, and visit their church on Sunday. Normally, while I am with them, they invite me to preach, but that Sunday, they had a pastor from the States, a pastor of a church that supports the missionary pastor in that church in Tarragona. I spent three days with them. Then, since I have relatives up North some hour and a half driving, I decided to go and visit them. I spent three more days with them. It was a profitable and unexpected trip. Then I had to go from the East to the West all the way back to my home, over seven hours straight driving. But I thank our God who kept me safe all the way.

These months had been very unusual, some being here and some there on vacations, Christian Camps... It's just Summer. Now we're all gathered to start the new season 'till Christmas.

In September, we are going to hold a Church Meeting to deal with some practical issues and start a Mission Program to support one missionary family. I have in mind to introduce a young man who is well-prepared in teaching, preaching, and in music. He also has an internet radio station with very conservative music and some devotionals. I am participating in recording a devotional a week on Monday at one o'clock Easter time. He is also a son of the pastor I went to visit at the hospital in Huesca who suffered from angina pectoris. I have known this 34-year-old young man since he was several months old.

Finally, I just want to express my gratitude for your supporting faithfulness throughout these many years. Your trustfulness is very notorious to me. I constantly give thanks to our God for all of you!

May our good God continue giving you prosperity in all things as your souls prosper. In Christ's holy name, and at His service,

Bro. Sanchez