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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) Dear Supporters,

I begin this prayer letter by referring to a recent tragedy. There was a very strong storm called *Dana*, which caused the ruin of some towns in Valencia (The eastern part of Spain). There was severe flooding. At the moment, they have reported more than 200 deaths, and there are still many missing people. The death count could be much higher. There are thousands and thousands of volunteers who arrived from other places to help empty garages flooded with more than two or three meters of water. Thousands of cars are completely buried in water and mud. Please pray for this tragedy. We do not know of any believers who have died or are missing. The brothers we know from there are fine, although some have lost furniture, belongings, and cars. Just on October 5th and 6th, I was invited to preach at the wedding of Pastor Javier Colma's son, Jonathan, on Saturday and then on Sunday in the church. They are very dear brothers. We have known them for many years. Thank the Lord the storm did not affect them.

The Christmas season is approaching by giants' steps. We are already practicing a Christmas cantata that I prepared a few years ago. Our voices are not the best in the world, but they do not lack determination. The instruments in the church are increasing. Two weeks ago, four brothers played a beautiful special with flute, violin, trumpet, and piano. It was a blessing!

As for myself, I feel a little discouraged because I don not see anyone that could take my place when I retire. Please pray for this matter. It is important to us. I want the married couple or family that takes my place to have biblical principles that align with ours. We also need a bigger place to meet, but we are not financially prepared to buy something. We are paying a little over \$500.00 per month to rent the place we are in now. I would like to be able to leave the church fully established one day. I have already set up the papers for its legalization.

We have some visitors: Salvador, a precious brother. He would like to be a member of our church, but it seems that his wife does not want to leave her church. It is a church born a century ago of the Southern Baptist Convention. It seems that she is comfortable there. He came quite a few times just to be in worship and says the messages are a blessing to him.

Also, for a while, a young student couple attended on Sunday mornings. But now they have stopped coming a few weeks ago. We know nothing about them. Perhaps they have returned to their country of Colombia. Their names are Jonatan and Estefanía. Pray for them. They seemed very comfortable at the services and very much in agreement with the teachings.

Pray for Sister Albania. She had major surgery on her spine and is recovering very slowly. She is having a hard time with pain. She told me that she wants to be baptized when she recovers. Maybe by spring, she will be ready.

The economy is not doing very well in the country. The social-communist government we have is not generally wanted. In fact, they lost the elections, but Mr. Pedro Sanchez, the current president, granted certain privileges to the pro-independence supporters who, in Congress, openly say that they are not interested in Spain at all. They would like to separate from Spain. With these, he has come together to lead the country. I hope that soon there will be a motion of censure, and he will be removed from power. He is so perverse that almost everyone knows him as the one who constantly lies. He makes promises that he is far from fulfilling.

I would like to end this letter with a word of gratitude for your faithful and constant support for this ministry, of which you are a major part. May the Lord bless you greatly for that.

In the love of Christ and in His service with your help.

-Alejandro D. Sanchez