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Greetings from Beanland:

It is our desire that all of you enjoyed a blessed holiday.
I got a good start on the New Year by mowing my yard this morning
And was wondering, how many of you were doing the same thing?

With the first letter of the New Year, we missionaries are supposed to reminisce and write about all the wonderful things we did during the year. Well, we did begin two new churches, hand out a lot of tracts and New Testaments, and several people were saved. I am not one who likes to think about the past but I like to think about the future opportunities.

The 14th. through the 19th. of January we will have our Cancun experience with several people coming from the States to participate in the conference. The 24th. of January, we will have our graduates banquet and will honor pastor James and Mrs. Hall and their church for their dedication and help for the bible college. We also get to see our graduates and find out how they have been serving the Lord.

Our semester ends on the 19th. of January which means making out grades and beginning new classes. In March, the church in Los Pocitos will host the youth rally and that is going to take a lot of work. We are already praying for many young people to be saved. Just like your church, we have projects every month.

On the lighter side- A couple of weeks ago, I was visiting in the village of Los Pocitos, when little 6 year old Janessa, from the childrens home, walked up to me and put her hand in my left hand. We walked but a short distance when she asked, "What is the pocket where you have your keys?" I answered that they were in my left pocket. She immediately took her hand out of mine and went around to my right side and put her hand in my right hand. I looked down into that little toothless face and asked the dumb question, "Janessa, why did you do that?" Her response was, Well, brother, if you keep your keys in the other pocket then your money must be in this pocket. I just want to be close by if it should happen to fall out. Then, I will be able to pick some up and help you spend it."

In the circumference of His wonderful love, we are;
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Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.

Titus 3:5