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Greetings from Beanland:

Before I go any further, I have been told that several churches and individuals, who sent Christmas gifts to us, didn't receive "thank you" notes from us. I want all of you to know that you are all appreciated by us and we did send thank you letters to everyone but this mail system here is really bad. It is a fact that 20% of letters going to the U.S.A. never reach their destination and about the same percentage from there never reaches here either. So, I pray that everyone understands our situation and are not offended for not having received a card. We do thank all of you very much.

A prayer request: We have about 5 poor kids, who would like to go to camp this year but are too poor to pay their way. Expenses are much more this year and the camps are beginning to charge a lot of money for the campers. For food and the camp charge, the cost will be about \$50.00 each. If you would like to help one or more, please e-mail me or you can now call my cell phone, which is based in Texas. (956)371-5105.

Everyone is asking about the wedding so, I am about to tell you. The most interesting and wonderful thing to me was the salvation of the maid of honor. Sofia, was the longtime childhood friend of Itzen, Jerrys bride, she moved to Los Angeles a few years ago and flew down for the wedding. We took her to church on Sunday, where she heard the Gospel for the first time but she really didn't understand what was going on. When she told her family where she had been, they were really upset because she didn't go to the Catholic church but instead went to a Baptist church. A couple of days later Itzen had an opportunity to talk to her about the Lords saving grace and she accepted Christ as her Savior. The day before the wedding I had the opportunity to talk to her for about an hour. She understood fully about her decision and asked many good questions. She asked me to recommend a good church to attend there, but I failed to know a good Spanish speaking Baptist church in Los Angeles. I did however tell her how and what to look for in choosing a good church. Also, there were 7 Russians who attended the wedding. They are science professors here at the university. Most of them had never seen a Bible nor had heard a Gospel message of any kind. Nor had they ever before been to a wedding! They explained that most people in Russia never bother with marriage, especially in their area. Well, they heard about salvation! One of the ladies exclaimed, "Very interestink, very interestink! It was really an elegant wedding and I didn't even cry, surprisingly neither did Delia! The bride was radiant and lovely as all new brides

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

are. After the wedding they were driven away in a 1940 Cadillac La Salle, with brother Pieper hopping in and going with them. He surly did like that old Cadillac! The Yucatan work is going well. Liliana is shopping for an automobile as a couple of supporters supplied money to help her buy one. She wants to sell her motor scooter and put that money towards buying the car. Maybe she will have less illnesses. She is now giving several piano and guitar classes to the students, which is a great blessing to the churches. It used to be taboo to have musical instruments in those churches. But because of Lilianas' work, the churches are enjoying the services much better than ever before.

Brother Crescencio, reports that his church is doing better and he has led several more to the Lord and they are awaiting baptism. He really is a good soul winner and teacher.

In the circumference of His wonderful love, we are the Shaw family in Mexico.

Jewel K. Shaw - Thank you for all you do for us.

