

## THE SHAW FAMILY ¡VIVA MEXICO!

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Greetings from the road,

This month has been a difficult one, as Itzen has not been with me. However, God has blessed greatly during this time and we have learned a lot about immigration laws. Many churches and individuals are praying for us that this problem will be solved. We appreciate your support through this time. Itzen and Dad are working together with the embassy in Guadalajara. She will have an appointment at the embassy on the 25<sup>th</sup> of August. Please pray that the outcome of this meeting will be positive.

Immigration problems seem to be an everyday battle for us lately. My parents also had a bad expierience re-entering Mexico last week. Dad is finally considered a Mexican resident after all these years. He recieved his immigrant card last year, and had not had to use it until a few days ago. On crossing the border, he learned that since he is now a resident of Mexico, he cannot own an American-plated vehicle. Therefore, he was not able to cross his truck into Mexico. My parents were forced to leave their truck in TX and take a 19-hour bus ride into Guadalajara. They made it back to their home last Saturday, and are now working on a solution to get the truck back.

This last month I had the priveledge to visit Bro. Alejandro Galaviz. He and his wife, Yadira, are graduates from our Bible school. They have moved to the city of Rome, GA where Alex is pastoring a Hispanic church (Iglesia Bautista Manantial de Vida). Bro. Alejandro is being a blessing for the church and the members love him and his family. Please keep them in your prayers so that the church will grow even further in the Lord.

Sometime this month, my Pastor, Randy Parker and Pastor Fred Daniel will be traveling together with my father into Mexico to arrange a meeting with Bro. Marcelino de la Cruz. Bro. Marcelino is a Huichol indian who pastors a church on his reservation in the state of Nayarit. Bro. Marcelino and his cousin Griselda are graduates from our school and are doing a great work among their people. Pastor Parker and Pastor Daniel are trying to get to him and arrange it so that his church can be with us during the 2009 conference in Mexico. This would be a blessing to all of us, as we have never seen this church. Few people have had the privilege to be with the Huichol indians, as they live in an extremely remote area.



The truth is, it is so remote that the only people that are effective to reach them with the gospel are their own. Please pray that they will make contact, as this will be a real treat to everyone that comes to the conference in 2009.

Thanks again for all your prayers with my wife's situation. We are trying hard to get this straightened out. We are praying that this will end soon.

In His Service, Jerry Shaw jr.