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Greetings from Guadalajara,

It has been a while since our last prayer letter. Too many events have occurred to list in this report. I will only give the highlights of what has been accomplished.

First of all, God has greatly blessed our family with the arrival of our new daughter. She was born on September 22nd weighing 2.9 kilos and measuring 39 cm. She is a very healthy and beautiful baby that has brought joy to our lives. Her name is Jada Amber Shaw. Itzen and the baby did fine, and there were no complications. Itzen was only in labor for about 1 hour. Once in the delivery room, the baby was born in under 20 minutes. Thank you all for your prayers.



On the 16th of September, Mexico celebrated its Independence Day. Our church had a special time by having a dinner together and a special service honoring our country.

The church is growing slowly, but steadily. On any given Sunday, we have an average of 60 people with one or two visitors each service. We thank the Lord for His mercy upon His church. We pray the Lord continues to bless this congregation both in number and spiritual growth.

It would be wonderful if everything we said would be in a positive light. However, this is not always possible. The former pastor of the church put the congregation in a bad legal situation with both the Hacienda (Mexican version of the IRS) and the federal government. This problem has been dealt with by the use of lawyers and courtrooms. This issue has consumed the entire month of October. Up to this point however, many things have been accomplished. It seems that we will be seeing an end to this situation shortly. We ask you to please pray fervently for this issue, and for God to give us peace during these proceedings. It most definitely takes a toll on our hearts, bodies, and minds.

The mission in Libertad is still going on. We ask you to please pray for the ministry there, as it is a very hard area to minister in. The small Christian community there suffered a loss two weeks ago. Our brother in Christ, Fernando Rodriguez, went to be with the Lord. He was only 23 years old. He was born with physical complications and did not have complete use of his body, though his mind was sharp. He died in his sleep. His mother woke up in the middle of the night to find him absent of his body and in the presence of God. Please pray for the Rodriguez family as they mourn the loss of their son.

Please continue to pray for the Bible school students. They are studying hard to complete the curriculum, so that they might minister to others.

Please remember our field conference here in Guadalajara in the month of January. We pray that several of you might be able to come see what the Lord is doing in His ministry here in Mexico. For additional information on the conference, please contact Pastor Fred Daniel at (336) 327-6047. We would love for you to come and see what the Lord is doing!

In His service,
Jerry & Itzen Shaw