



Greetings from Guadalajara,

The Winter months have been both a blessing and a time of trials for our church. Over half of the congregation was infected with Covid. Although several of the brethren were hospitalized, they have all recovered.

In February we held a conference for married couples; 18 couples assisted during the 3-day conference. It was a special and intimate time for the couples. We are very thankful to our Lord for this time.

Prayers are urgently needed for one of the church members. Sister Diana Basan (24) has been hospitalized for 3 weeks due to a severe pancreatic issue. The doctors are not giving her good news on the matter. Her husband, brother Omar (38) has not left her side, and although the situation is grim, he has found great comfort in the Lord. They are the parents of a one-year-old boy named Ezra. Please pray for the family.



**Diana &
Omar Basan**

We are looking forward to the wedding of Bro. Jorge and his fiancé sister Fernanda to be held on the 27th of March. They are both students of the Bible College; it has been a blessing to see them grow in the Lord and flourish as a couple, we thank the Lord for their lives.

Salvador Lara, one of the missionaries from our church has resumed the deputation trail last week. We ask you to be in prayer for him as he ministers during deputation in the state of Texas.

We praise the Lord for the renewal of building permits for the new church building in Tala (New Life Baptist Church). We will resume construction next Monday. The church is excited to see their place of worship take shape. As of right now, we have \$3,000 dollars set aside for materials; this amount will help finish the walls and bathrooms, but there is much more to go before completion. We ask you to be in prayer together with us for the funds to complete the church building. We know the He is faithful and will provide for this His local church.



**Pst. Alfonso in
purple shirt**

We praise the Lord for “God of Hope Baptist Church”. This was the last church my father pastored. This past Sunday morning was a special one for the congregation as they voted for brother Alfonso Duran as their new pastor. Brother Alfonso graduated from our school in 2010 and had been serving as an assistant pastor for the past 8 years. We ask you to please be in prayer for him and his wife Ruth as they minister to the people in the town of “los Pocitos”.

The mission work in the town of “Buenavista” is marching along, slowly but surely. We are praying for the Lord to provide a full-time pastor for this work. At the moment, two families from the leadership of our church in Guadalajara have been taking charge of this ministry, the Hernandez and the Ortega. We ask you to pray for them as they work together in this town.



On a personal note, my family has been doing well. Mom struggled with her health during December and January but she has recovered, for which we are thankful. Itzen and the girls are also doing well, although struggling with the girl’s school work. Schools in Mexico are still closed down and it doesn’t seem that they will be opening anytime soon.

My wife and I have been trying to update our prayer letter list, if you would like for us to send the letter to a different email, or add a new one, please contact us at:

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We thank the Lord for you and your church. Thank you for all you do in the service of our savior Jesus Christ.

In His service,

Jerry & Itzen Shaw