

Greetings from Guadalajara,

Autumn is almost here! After having a hotter than usual summer in Guadalajara, we are looking forward to cooling off a bit. Although Bible school was not in session during the last few months, activities have not stopped.

Summer camp this year was a blessing for our church folk. We saw three individuals come to know Christ as their saviour during this time.

During the month of August, Itzen and I had the opportunity to go to the state of Veracruz, where we had the privilege to take the gospel to a family in the community of Sabaneta, a small village of about 200 people. We thank Miriel and Josie Cordoba for inviting us to preach the gospel to their family members there.

Also, during this month, we took a family trip to Mexico City to visit Itzens family. This was a special time, as we had not seen them in several years. Many of my wife's family are Jehovah's Witness, and we took advantage of the opportunity to take the Gospel to them. However, every time we would start talking about Christ, they would remove themselves from us. We ask you to be in prayer for Itzens family, as this is a big burden on our hearts.



September started with a ton of work; 42 students started Bible College this semester. It was a challenge for all of the staff to get the materials and logistics worked out. We are very thankful for Missionary Salvador Lara and future missionary Victor Moreno for their service and love for God, despite all the difficulties, they have pressed on. This year we have the help of 12 pastors as professors, we thank the Lord for their service and their ministries.

God has fully provided for the funds needed to complete the construction of the New Life Baptist Church building. No additional funds are required! Not only has God provided for the Church, but He has also fully provided for the remodeling of the Bible schools bathrooms, laundry room, new floor and a dorm room. We are very grateful to all the churches who gave lovingly towards this His ministry.

As of last month, we have resumed the work on the Church building. The roof is now 100% finished. Work on the interior has begun, the walls and ceiling are now being plastered, much of the wiring has been done, windows have been ordered, and concrete floor will be poured next week along with the baptistry. We are very thankful to the construction company that was hired to do the work, they are advancing fast, it seems like most of the church will be completed by the end of this year.

Last week our family had the opportunity to visit a church that we had not previously known in the neighboring state of Colima. They invited me to preach a three-day men's conference; what a blessing this was! The church is called Iglesia Bautista Camino de Santidad (Path to Holiness Baptist Church). We ask you to keep this young church and pastor in prayer, God has used them mightily since their founding 5 years ago. It was a blessing to see the impact that this church has had in that city in such a short time. It was truly encouraging to our family to see what the Lord is doing through them.

The church plant in the town of Buenavista is slowly growing. A new young couple were recently saved and have been going through discipleship, their names are Julio and Mary, we ask you to keep them in prayer as they grow in the Lord.

On a personal note, we will be traveling to the United States to spend Christmas with our family and spend some time with Bethel Baptist Church, our sending Church in Greenfield, IN. We are very excited to do this, as we have not spent time in our home state in several years. Although we will only be there a short time, it will be a great encouragement for all of us.

We thank you all for your faithful support and prayers which make this ministry possible.

In His service in Mexico,
Jerry & Itzen Shaw



Church Auditorium



Conference in Colima



Plastering the walls



A few of the campers (my mother front row left side)



Altar area in process



Camp