

Dear Supporting Churches, Friends and Family

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Thank God for his goodness and for the opportunity to be in His work. There is always something to be thankful for. At this very moment we are so grateful because of the many blessings we have received.

VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION.

In the month of February we celebrated Valentine's Day twice: once in the city of Huejutla, Hidalgo, (about 35 miles from Tantoyuca) and the other one was in our church in Tantoyuca, Veracruz and in both we had a great turnout. We had 90 in the first and 45 in the other in attendance. The meeting in Huejutla was a weekend event exclusively for couples and many of them made decisions for a better relationship, and the one in Tantoyuca was for everybody. We also had the privilege of having my mother with us for the whole month of February and enjoyed taking care of her. My wife was the one who did most of the personal stuff but I was as helpful as possible.

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



I had the privilege of officiating at a "quinceañera" birthday celebration in Tantoyuca. The young lady who celebrated her 15th birthday is the niece of one of the local pastors, and an active member of her church. We took my Mom and Vicky with us and enjoyed wonderful fellowship and a meal!



EVANGELISTIC MEETING



From March 15-18 we had four nights of Gospel preaching. We had a great time! Actually there was a revival, starting with myself, and then the rest. We had five professions of faith and now we are following up those decisions, and also we had great fellowship. The pastor's name is Francisco Martinez from Ciudad Camargo, Tamaulipas.

MEDICAL CAMPAIGN

The following week we participated in a medical caravan organized by the other local Baptist church in town, Filadelfia Baptist Church. There were 96 people that came for Genesaret Baptist Church in Monterrey and the work was done in four different places

simultaneously. The organization was enormous and they needed as much help as possible so we helped. During the week there were almost 800 people seen by the doctors and 95 professions of faith and we have now the opportunity to start one mission point in a place called "Xiloshuchil", (about 10 miles from Tantoyuca). Pray for



We had to walk quite a ways to invite people to the medical caravan. It is beautiful country.

the people of this place, there is no Baptist church in the community, and pray for us so we'll have wisdom and the human resources to do this kind of work.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

There are two men in our congregation who know how to preach and I've decided to start teaching them about leadership and team work. Their names are Noe and Demetrio.

This is Brother Demetrio working with us in VBS last year.



I have been meeting with them and we already started discipleship classes. In June of this year another man from Monterrey will be arriving along with his wife to help us. If you know how to add... we will be four men working as leaders for the church. I say too many "chiefs" and few "Indians". I don't know what is going to happen, but I'll let you know. Please pray for us all.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE



Last week we came to Edinburg, Texas to preach in a missionary conference in a Spanish speaking church "Maranatha Baptist Church" and we had seven Mexican pastors and missionaries present in the meetings as well. We had meetings every night from Wednesday to Saturday and Saturday morning we had a two-hour teaching session for

men and women. I taught the men and we learned "How to Do Mission Work", Cindy taught the women about "Women in Ministry and in Missions". Please pray for these pastors and missionaries and church members, there is so much to learn and do in missions in Mexico, we are in worse shape than I thought we were.



LEADERSHIP CORNER

“Leadership is not something you do to people... it is something you do with people.” *Ken Blanchard*

We appreciate very much what you do. Your participation is well received. Only in heaven will we be able to see all the rewards promised by the Lord. In other words thank you.

Yours in the Service of the Master

Juan and Cynthia Gonzalez

Isaiah 41:10