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PRAYERS

Fluency in the language

Church in Guayabitos

National "Timothy"

Safety/well being of our family

Sarah's Health

New Evangelism Efforts

Unspoken Prayer



Buenos Días Queridos Hermanos, (Good Day, my Dear Brethren,)

Jan-Feb 2020

We are a couple months into the new year and as always, busy! At times it's laborious and difficult, but as I heard another preacher say, "We're weary in the work, not of the work." Amen!

I preformed my first wedding in January with a solid couple in the church. They were married before their salvation, but only with a judge, and the Lord provoked them to present their marriage in the church in front of God and everyone else; so that's what we did, and it turned out really well.

We were also able to help out a national pastor by Puerto Vallarta, that has become a good friend, with an evangelistic conference he did outdoors in his town. We helped set up, my wife did kids classes with the help of our kids, and I did some preaching. There was a surprising amount of people that showed up, praise the Lord; and God knows who got saved and who didn't, but we pray he ministers to the seeds planted.

We also made our last trip of the winter to the village of Zapotan in the mountains. This ministry is fully funded thanks to a couple from Canada, with the purpose of reaching out to folks. This last one is my favorite because we invite the whole town and have a service with them before handing out some donations. There are always well over 150 people that show up; and even knowing it's for donations we still use the opportunity to reach the lost souls that are searching for the truth...and there's always at least one!

As far as our work here in Guayabitos- it is going well. A couple who recently received Jesus Christ as their savior have started discipleship lessons, and are growing! That makes three people doing lessons, and we desire many more this year. We have also been presented with the opportunity to buy the building that we are in. It is in a prime location, and would work well for future growth. Please pray for wisdom on the right decision!

We had been trying to get customized invitations printed to start evangelizing door to door, but it is SO expensive. We plan on reaching every door twice with a general invitation, and then again in May with another invitation to our evangelical conference. The Lord is always listening, because in the midst of our prayers, a church reached out to us and asked if we had any specific needs for the ministry. After discussing the invitations they offered to pay for as many as they could!! We now will have a good start to get that going and start knocking down doors here in our area.

In the meanwhile of waiting for those physical things, I couldn't wait any longer to spread the gospel with the people; I started street preaching! I haven't done that since we've arrived because I always felt timid with my short comings in Spanish, but the Lord was pushing me to start so I did. We are going downtown every Thursday during the farmers market. This brings hundreds if not thousands of Mexicans and snowbirds funneled into one area to hear the good news. I believe the Lord is already blessing it with many people questioning us, in a good way, and asking for directions to the church. I believe eventually I will see someone bow the knee to our Lord and savior in front of everyone.

Our family is doing well. We've had some bouts with stomach bugs and fevers, but nothing too serious praise the Lord. We would still love prayer for Sarah with stomach issues, as it still comes up every now and then. We also have an unspoken prayer request for our family personally; the Lord's guidance and help with some things would be very much appreciated. Otherwise just continuing forward with evangelizing, souls to be saved and discipled, direction for the church, and spiritual protection over everything. Our enemy is ravaging but our Lord is greater in power!

Brothers and sisters keep up the good fight!

God bless-

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Adam, Sarah, Cristian, Kendra, Braden

