Church of Christ Mission Committee Marble Falls, TX

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Dear Brothers in Christ:

I'm pleased to tell you all that we are doing well, definitely God gave us a break after all the tests that we have gone thru as a family and as a congregation.

Thanks to the support and the love that you've had for the people of Mexico, we carried out the campaign at the end of August with a larger number of people who received medical and dental help. We're left with a very good memory and are strengthened in the Lord for giving us the opportunity to continue this ministry. This work, in spite of all the problems in our country, continues to give those that need it most.

In addition to this, we have had a baptism in the congregation. We have different local activities and are strengthening despite the tests of all brothers.

Thank you for your support, and it's thanks to your support of faith and love, this servant can continue with this work with the courage and faith and trust in God that He will provide for our needs thru people that perhaps don't know our situation, but thru the unity in Christ give us this support and offer of love.

I'll share some photos of the work done, both the campaign and the activities that happened.

Medical Campaign in La Huasteca, San Luis Potosi

The campaign happened on the 29, 30, and 31 of August and Sept. 1 and 2.

Days before confirming the dates, our brothers Angel Guzman and Daniel Guzman, preachers in Nacimiento and other communities nearby, told me that there was great need and they wanted to visit some more towns to help more people. Due to this, we invited a brother and friend doctor from San Luis Potosi to help us in this campaign. Additionally I contacted Dr. Juan Lopez, a medical dentist, to provide the dental service in these communities

On the 29th we traveled and visited the following towns:

Huichiguayan – attended to 115 patients La Herradura – attended to 123 patients El Nacimiento – attended to 78 patients Limontitla – attended to 91 patients

During the entire campaign for medical consultation, we attended to 406 people and for dental consultation, a total of 135 people.

The medical and dental support was made by your servant, Dr. Ismael Santillan Garcia, Dr. Juan Lopez Lucio, and the dentist Dr. Juan Lopez Hernandez.

The support by the brothers who organized the campaign from La Huasteca were brother Angel Guzman and brother Daniel Guzman along with their wives.

We had a few difficult cases. Due to lack of financial resources and support from the government, the people cannot buy drugs, and diseases become more complicated or get worse. For example, we saw many people with scabies, and if it's not treated, it becomes severe skin infections. We saw complete families with this disease, and we gave them support (meds) for its recovery.

Other diseases were malnutrition, gastric ulcers, urinary tract infections, parasitic infections, stomach infection, and a possible case of cancer in the blood.

Dental care patients had severe infections, extractions, and cleanings. Antibiotics and inflammatory medication were given.

We had visits from brothers from other communities who gave us their support and asked to be considered for future campaigns carried out with God's help. The need is growing; communities further away are suffering from being forgotten and lack of medical services. In the same way, those who saw us thanked us for the attention they received and sent their gratitude to those who support and underpin this campaign. It was a very successful campaign, not only in the work we did but in carrying out a mission and labor of love that God demands of us, helping each other and loving them and showing mercy.

I feel privileged to be able to perform this work which, though it has decreased, thru God's mercy there are brothers that have wanted to collaborate. It is difficult work, hard due to the situation in Mexico , but we know and we believe it is done for the honor and glory of our Lord and that we have been honorable instruments in His presence.

(First batch of pictures are here)

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We continue the Sunday work. With the help of the brothers we carry out different activities, distribution of literature from our meeting place and in home meetings and get togethers.

Thanks to God, in August we had the baptism of a visitor, the wife of our brother Leonel. She decided to accept the Lord and follow His will. She wanted to be baptized in a river, so the brothers cooperated (went together) and rented a truck to go to this great celebration and afterwards shared food together. We know that for a soul to be saved, there is a party in heaven and we all are part of that rejoicing.

(Second batch of pictures are here)

Sunday Gathering and Children's' Class

We continue with the potlucks once a month in which we share food with the brothers and visitors, being together and getting to know one another even more. Glory to God for these moments of spiritual growth. We have some visitors and children classes Sunday to Sunday.

(Third batch of pictures are here)

Meetings in Homes

As we've discussed, every fifteen days home meetings are held with the brothers of the congregation where we present interesting issues and opinions for better spiritual growth. They are held in the house of each one of our brothers ... we get together and share food and have good fellowship.

(A couple more pictures are here)

We give thanks to our God for His love and mercy for He has chosen us to be His people and to do a job that He has demanded of us. We also give thanks to the church in Marble Falls for the support, for the confidence and for the prayers that they have for my family. My wife continues to recover, and we know and trust in our Lord that He will heal her for the complete glory of His name.

We continue to ask for your prayers for this work, for your servant and for my family for we know that the enemy does not rest, but God is more powerful and will win.

1 Thessalonians 2:4

We speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts.