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Dear Praying Friends,

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23

Those are words of rest and encouragement. We are thankful for the mercies that God has given to us, that even in times of difficulties He is always faithful to us. The past year has been one of many new opportunities and difficulties, and one of many blessings from God.



The churches in Mexico as in many parts of the world were closed and then limited in attendance, but we are thankful for the many who made it possible for the teaching and preaching of God's Word to be proclaimed using various methods of technology. Just this month our local church in Guadalupe, NL, Mexico was able to welcome many new members, about 15 of these new members found the church during the pandemic via the livestream. They then began attending when things opened up for services and are now members of the church. We have also seen the strengthening of many churches, but some are struggling. A number of the churches have lost their pastors and are now working towards looking for a new pastor or have just installed new pastors. Please be in prayer for these churches that God will continue to strengthen His church.

This past year of schooling here in Mexico has been a very difficult year as we have been 100% virtual in all levels of education. Russell taught a number of classes for both the university and the high school. This was a challenge as most were classes that he had never taught and needed to create the curriculum for these classes. Debbie also taught an English class throughout the year for the high school. She enjoyed teaching the students even if it was over virtual connections. Carena finished the last 4 tetramesters of her high school virtually. We are thankful for her endurance and hard work. She graduated on July 10, although the graduation was a virtual graduation, we were excited to see her complete this phase of her life. Her classmates chose her to give the graduation speech on behalf of the class. She also finished in first place academically. Please pray for her as she will be taking classes this coming year preparing to enter Pensacola Christian College the fall of 2022 to study Math Education.



For many years there have been many missionaries and national workers who have told us that they would love to have the type of video training that OREMUNDO has produced in Spanish in their language. For many years we have had this burden of how to help get good training materials into other languages. A few years ago Russell had the opportunity to help Slavic Baptist Bible College in Ukraine begin doing this type of recordings for the Russian language. However, there are so many needs for quality Bible training materials around the world. The Lord has been guiding us to help as much as possible in this great need. We are beginning a new project called "Go Global." This project will take 12 of our core Bible courses that we have created in Spanish and will prepare all the media resources needed to translate them to other languages. From there we can easily translate the transcripts of the courses into other languages, and then have native speakers record the audio of the translated courses. These will then be combined with a multimedia video to create the courses. We know this is a large and complicated task, but we believe it is God's timing and direction. Once we have the first language and the multimedia templates created, other languages will be a simpler process. We are anticipating that it will take about two years to get the multimedia templates and needed documents created as we translate into the first language. God has provided a young man to help us with this so that we can move forward with this project and not neglect other areas of ministry that God continues to open up. We ask that you pray for us and this project as we begin. We are estimating that for the initial stage of translating the first language and the multimedia templates to have a cost of \$35,000. This cost includes the salary of the young man dedicated to the project, the cost of translators of putting the courses into the first language and the cost of preparing the multimedia templates. We are thankful that God has already provided about \$19,000 of this in just the first couple of weeks. We ask that you pray about partnering with us in this special project.



We also ask that you pray for one of our graduates, Jorge Nava. Jorge is a pastor in Platon Sanchez, Veracruz and has just lost his wife and baby due to complications in her pregnancy. This has been a very difficult time for him.

Thank you for your love, support and prayers for these many years that God has allowed us to serve here in Mexico. Please continue to pray for the discipleship opportunities that God gives to each of us. Please continue to pray for the health of Carena. We have not seen any changes. She will see a new doctor in September to see what can be done to help her with the issues she has been facing over the past few years.

Thank you for your prayers,

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