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Dear Praying Friends,

God has continued to bless and sustain us these past few months, and we have seen His hand at work in our ministry.



In the month of May, we were able to travel to Chinampa, Veracruz, for a memorial service in honor of Debbie's dad, Evangelist Valente Hernandez. Debbie's sister, Karen, and two of her aunts travelled with us. We got to meet and fellowship with many pastors that Brother Valente worked with from all over Mexico. It was a blessing to be able to celebrate his life and his ministry with the people he served so faithfully for many years. A number of Debbie's uncles, aunts and cousins from various parts of Mexico were able to come, several of whom she had not seen in many years. It was a great blessing to be able to spend time with them.



We have finished the first year of our Go Global project, which will take some of the Bible institute classes in Spanish and translate them into other languages. We are continuing to collaborate with our contacts in Peru for the translation into Quechua, although, due to unforeseen circumstances, it is taking much longer than we expected. Recently, God opened the door for us to begin translation into a second language. We have begun working with contacts further south in Mexico to translate into Nahuatl, which is the largest Indigenous language in Mexico, spoken by approximately 1.5 million people. We are very excited to be moving forward with Nahuatl, as our ministry was founded in those areas of Mexico. Please pray that both translation projects will continue and that they will be a blessing to many. We are still in need of funding to cover the expenses of this year. If you would be interested in partnering with us for this project, donations can be sent to OREMUNDO, and more information can be found at [www.oremundo.org/goglobal](http://www.oremundo.org/goglobal).



Genezareth Baptist Church is continuing to grow. Last month, 39 people joined our church including 8 who were baptized. In the month of May, children's classes were able to start back up again after over two years of not having them. Debbie is a teacher in the 9-11-year old's class, and Carena is enjoying helping with the 3-5-year-olds, many of whom had never been in children's church before. There are anywhere from 50 to 60 kids in classes every week.



As many of you know, our city is facing massive water restrictions due to poor management and drought conditions. Please continue to pray that Monterrey will receive much needed rain. Due to this, the last few weeks of the school year looked a little bit different, with the university needing to send the dorm students home two weeks early. We are excited to see what God will do next school year in the university and the day school. Next semester, Russell will be teaching a class on the relationship of the Church and State to the second year Theology students.

The war in Ukraine is still on our hearts and in our minds. Russell has continued to help Missionary Derek Thomas with video editing as they travel raising funds for relief aid for those in need. They have been able to distribute 800 tons of aid in over 205 truckloads in different areas of Ukraine. Please continue to pray for the believers there. More updates and information can be found at [www.compassionforukraine.com](http://www.compassionforukraine.com)



Debbie has continued her bi-weekly Bible study with young women in our home, and her weekly Bible study with the ladies of the church, in addition to meeting with many ladies who come to our home. God is continuing to bless these ministries.

Carena was able to participate in the University chamber choir last semester and finish out her piano lessons. She was also able to sing at her grandpa's memorial in May. She also taught private math and English lessons through the end of the school year. Later in August, we will be travelling with another family to drop Carena and her friend Sofia off at Pensacola Christian College. We are extremely excited to see what God will do in their lives over the next years. Please pray for Carena as she transitions into this new stage of her life.



Thank you for your prayers and support,

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