

II Cor.4:5 "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord;"

March 5, 2024

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

Greetings from Mexico! The past month has been busy with our regular activities as well as some new ones. In February, we had Friend Day in Tequix. for the first time, and it was a great success. There were thirty first-time visitors, and three accepted Christ as their Savior. Then this last week we celebrated the Emmanuel Baptist Church's sixteenth anniversary. We had an outstanding day. There were over two hundred people in attendance; the Lord worked in a special way with many visitors and five that trusted Christ as their Savior. What an encouragement and blessing this day was for the church!

We praise the Lord for continued growth. At the beginning of February, I had the privilege of baptizing twenty new converts, sixteen of which were young ladies from the rehab center. What a blessing it is to see souls saved and lives changed. Throughout my years of ministry, the Lord has given me many "grandparents in the faith." These are people who are faithful to the end, have a passion for the Lord, and compassionate for their friends and family. Hno. Roberto just celebrated his 85th birthday. Two weeks ago he took us to visit an "old friend" of his, Thomas and his wife Rosa. On the way to their house, he kept saying, "Juan lives there. Enrique lives there. Pastor on a different occasion when you have more time we to need to come back and witness to my other friends". That day Thomas and Rosa, who are both in their eighties, were gloriously saved. After leading them both in the sinner's prayer, I looked up and Hno. Roberto had tears streaming down his face. Jude 22 "And of some have compassion, making a difference:" Even at his age, he is making a difference in the lives of his friends.

In the midst of many blessings, there are often hard times as well. Within a period of two weeks, we had four funerals. It has been difficult for the families of the church, but God continues to work. Brethren, thank you for your faithful prayers and support. The month of March will be busy with several conferences. Please be in prayer for these events and the people that will be attending. May the Lord richly bless you.

In Christ,

Matt and Annetta Johnson II Cor. 4:5

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