



*Winning souls, baptizing & discipling nationals as we start a church in **Querétaro, Mexico.***

July 25, 2023

July 2023 Prayer Letter

Dear Prayer Warriors,

I must let you all know that we are having to adjust our language training plans. After receiving counsel from our director, Bro. Terry Jones, and our pastor, Dr. John Seay, we are leaving Honduras and we will begin working through Spanish language learning that is able to be better tailored to our language learning needs. We are excited to tell you that we will be heading to México sooner than we had originally anticipated. We are departing Honduras on August 1, and we are hoping to be in Mexico by late September or early October of this year. We will have to take some time to prepare and pack our belongings that have stayed in the United States, and I will also have to take a trip to Mexico to prepare our housing situation there. We will also have to work to get our Mexican visas before we can move to Mexico and continue our language training there.

I also must say that we do greatly appreciate your prayers and generosity that have helped us to get to Honduras and have helped us while we have been in Honduras. We are thankful for the friends we have made here and the opportunities we have had in ministry here. During the month of July, we were able to help in the pulpería (snack shop) during the Pastor's Conference at Iglesia Bautista Belén. We greatly enjoyed getting to meet and help some of the pastors who had come from all over Honduras, Nicaragua, and El Salvador. Also during July, I was privileged to sit on the ordination committee of Walter Enrique Miranda, a graduate of the seminary here who will be starting deputation soon to be a church planter in Honduras.

Looking forward, there are specific prayer requests we have: safe flights back to the United States with all of our belongings arriving safely with us, safety for the travels we will have to make within the United States, a smooth visa process with México, a good and safe house to rent in Irapuato, Guanajuato, México, and provision for the needed moving expenses. We will probably need an additional \$20,000-\$25,000 in order to cover the costs of transporting belongings, purchasing needed furniture and a vehicle in Mexico, and paying the fees for Mexican visas. We do have some funds set aside from what we have been able to sell of what we had purchased in Honduras, and we do pray that we will be able to sell more of the things we bought here to help cover those costs. We trust that through your prayers the Lord will work all of this out to His glory.

In Christ's service,

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Praise:

- We are arriving in México sooner than anticipated

Prayer Requests:

- Smooth visa process with México
- Safe transportation of us and our belongings
- Quick and thorough learning of the Spanish language
- Funds for move to México

But as it is written, to whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand. Romans 15:21

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