Missionary to Zacatecas, Mexico



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Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

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OUR PRAISES

We are so thankful that we have seen a number of people return to church services as a result of our vacation Bible school this last summer. As a result of getting saved, we are now seeing adults that were children in our church years ago, returning to the church, and now bringing their own children! These children continue to be faithful and grow even though they come from extremely difficult situations. Please pray for this sister in the middle of this photo. Her name is Tomasa. Although extremely poor, she is by herself raising at least six of her grandchildren. She has been bringing some of them to church and has a burden for all of them to walk with the Lord. Please pray for her as she has "advanced type 2 diabetes" and we are trying to find a way to help her with the medicine that she needs.



OUR PLANS

As we mentioned in our last prayer letter, we have a burden to start a new church in a town about 20 minutes outside of the city. The name of the city is Calera. After asking many pastors, I found that there is only one other Baptist Church in the area. And it seems like it is not very biblically sound as the pastor claims to know the date that Christ will return. So there is definitely a need in this town. Here is a picture of a building that we are planning on renting to start the new church. Please pray for this new work as there is a great need to get the message of Christ to the 36,000 souls that live in Calera.

We had planned on starting this church a few months ago but it was being controlled by the drug cartels. The week we were going to rent the building we received the news that two cartels were battling for control of this area. Between where we live and that town, they were burning vehicles and buses on the road. They had also taken over toll booths in our state of Zacatecas. It seems like things have settled down so we are planning to press on. The only thing we ask for is your prayers on our behalf.





OUR PRAYERS

- Please pray that God would show favor to this new church work in Calera.
- Also, pray specifically for God's protection on us, as well as those that go with us door-to-door soul-winning.
- Lastly, we ask that you pray for each of the new believers in the churches down here in Mexico. They still receive much persecution for leaving the Catholic Church and embracing Christ as their only hope of Salvation.

His servants by His Grace,

Jonathan & Laura Bryan