Rev & Julie

## DEAR FRIENDS AND PRAYER WARRIORS,















We pray that you all had a most wonderful Christmas!!! and a blessed **Happy** New Years!!!

The young man I am standing next to is Luis Fernando. We had started a Bible study with his parents, (Hugo & Blanca) a few months back. and he would occasionally join us to hear what we were talking about. There had been two occasions that I had approached him about his need for Christ and receiving the gift of salvation. Each time his response was that he wanted to study some more. I told him that would be just fine and I handed him a book marker with Bible references that dealt with the plan of salvation. I also encouraged him to come by our home whenever he wanted and we could talk more about this subject. Well, on a Friday he showed up at our door step and as we let him into our house, he shared that now he would like to know more about how to get to Heaven. That day Fernando called upon the Lord and received Christ as his Saviour. His mother shared with us that ever since he got saved, he has been getting up early before sunrise reading his Bible and praying to his Saviour Jesus Christ. The whole family is faithful to church. Our hearts are thrilled to see this young man come to Christ. Praise the Lord.!!! Glory to God!!!

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We were able to have a Christmas dinner in the Church. It was a sweet time for the folks to enjoy one another's fellowship. The ladies did a great job in preparing their favorite dish and desserts. Julie had a program with the children and it turned out so well. They all sang a Christmas Carol and shared parts of the Biblical story of Christ's birth. I gave a devotional about the reason for this season, our saviour was born to die upon Calvary. The visitors that came got a clear presentation of the Gospel.

Julie and I were invited to a birthday party at a ranch named Vergel. The little girl that invited us, her name is Nayeli, she attends Julie's SS class. We did mention to the parents that we would not be able to attend if there was going to be any alcohol, bad music and dancing. To our surprise, they honored our wishes. The day we went was cold, wet and muddy, but we made it. Our time with the different families was wonderful. We played Christian music, had games, cook out and the opening of the gifts brought a big smile to all. Shortly after, Julie took out her accordion and we sang happy birthday to Nayeli. The song brings out a message of Christ and His love. I did get to talk to the men and shared with them who we were and what we believed. Nayeli's father listened as I presented the Gospel. I encouraged him to read the John & Romans booklet and to put his faith in the Saviour and not in Mary nor the Church. Please pray for Naveli's growth and for her family to come to Christ.

We had a missionary to Colombia come by and present his calling. The service was uplifting but also an exhortation for all of us to be busy in the work of the Lord. Bro. Ryan and Claudia with their two boys sang, showed a DVD presentation, then preached. Praise the Lord for men and women who hear the calling of God and surrender to serve HIM. John 4:35 I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

Merri Grace is our niece (standing beside Julie) who came down to visit us, and what a blessing and an encouragement she has been. For quite sometime Julie's brother was trying to work it out for her to make the trip to Mexico. The Lord worked out all the details and allowed her to be with us for a short week. Merri's presence is refreshing to us, and the folks in the church took to her as part of the family. She helped us in so many ways and sang two specials in our church (in Spanish). Her voice is marvelous and a gift from the Lord. Merri does not speak much Spanish, but with the few words she had learned she used them to reach out to others with the Gospel. Well, soon she will be returning back to SC, we will all miss her much! Perhaps someday she can come back and help us in this ministry. **Matthew 9:37** *Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;* 

## Thank you all so much for your faithful support, prayers and the **Christmas gifts**.!!!

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