

Mexico City, Mexico



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

Dear Praying Friends,

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Xavier, a member of our church in Mexico City, is a chef for generals in the Mexican Army and his wife, Liliana, is the daughter of Pastor Moises Olguin, who for a time pastored the church which was reproduced from the first church I pastored in Mexico. In May, Xavier and Liliana lost their nine-month-old baby girl, Lia. Lia was born with a very small head and respiratory problems. God has used their loss for His glory. As Xavier was a chef known to the generals, the wife of the Secretary of Defense (who is always the highest-ranking general in the army) came with her family to the funeral and heard a clear presentation of the gospel. Pray that God uses the message and the splendid testimony of Xavier and Liliana to work in that family and the many others who attended the funeral. Please keep Xavier and Liliana in your prayers.

In our absence from Mexico City, our assistant pastor Bro. Oscar and our folks at Liberty Baptist Church continue to see their ministries blessed with visitors as well as souls saved and baptized. At the end of May, a young man who lives on the street came to our addictions program on Friday, returned Sunday morning, was saved, and continues to attend. A week later, Jorge, a young soldier, was saved. Also, that same week, a young man named Yair who had come to the mission in Naucalpan on Wednesday came to church on Sunday and was saved.

Two weeks later, Felipe, a man from the nearby neighborhood of Polanco who has been coming to our church since the winter with his family, was happy to see his wife and adult daughter, Amairiani, baptized. Three other adults were saved in the service. Last Sunday, a man was saved and a woman who come to church the previous Sunday came back for the RU program and was saved.

God has been blessing our addictions program in our street mission in Tepito with visitors about every Saturday, and recently, a visitor named Eduardo was saved. God has also been blessing our addictions program on Fridays at the church with an average of 38 to 40 students this last month.

In our Wednesday mission on the other side of the city by the airport, we now have two families who take about an hour to get to our church on Sunday. Another man, Angel, who has the dangerous job as an informant of drug activity for the police and who attends the mission, is now taking that hour-long trip to our church for the Friday-night addictions program.

God has been blessing our time on furlough with several souls saved lately here in the States. At Gospel Light Baptist Church in Millersville, Pennsylvania, where they have a fruitful campus ministry, one of the recently saved students, Caleb, brought his fellow student, Caden, the morning that I preached on April 30. Caden not only was saved, but continues to attend and grow in the Lord.

Going out soulwinning in Saginaw, Michigan, we were able to lead an older man named Ralph to the Lord who had attended the First Baptist Church of Bridgeport before. Also, we talked to China and her boyfriend, Estefan, about the Lord. China also had come on the church's bus in the past and had accepted the Lord. She was happy to see Estefan also get saved and wants to return to church together. In Oceanside, California, we were also able to see a young couple, Daniel and Karen, saved while soulwinning. Souls can still be saved knocking on doors in America just as well as in Mexico.

This has been a busy furlough, not just visiting churches, but also studying Greek at Fairhaven Baptist College and studying for and receiving a Master's in Christian Education through Bethany Divinity College and Seminary in Dothan, Alabama. This fall, I will begin studying for a doctorate in the same field and through the same seminary. Our plan is to begin a Bible college in Mexico City in the next five years. Much time has been spent also this furlough teaching four courses through videos to our Institute in Mexico City. Thank you so much for your prayers for us this furlough and for your continued support.

For His Cause,

Clint Rardin