

# Reaching Mexico with the Gospel

Goodman Family Prayer Letter

Psalm 37:23-24

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## Reaching the Pueblos

We did our VBS early this year. A friend of ours brought a group of 15 teens from his church in Atlanta, GA. We had a great opportunity to give them a taste of ministry here. With their help, we did a one-day VBS program in three different places. We did the program at our church and in two different pueblos (villages) that are within a half hour from our church. We had around 90 kids in Jaripeo and around 50 kids in Union de Progreso. It was a blessing to see several kids call on the Lord for salvation. God blessed our efforts!



There is one family now coming to church as a result of the VBS. It started with an 8-year-old boy, named Valentin, who attend the VBS in Union de Progreso and trusted Christ. His teenage sister, Violeta, who was sent to watch him, was also saved that day. The following Saturday we went soul-winning in Progreso and happened to see Valentin walking down the street with some of his family. We talked to them and were able to get to know Beatriz, his mother. The next day they came to church with us. They have come almost every Sunday since. Now Beatriz has been saved along with her two teenage sons, Fer and Valente!



We are still praying that Tonio, the dad, will be saved and come to church.

## Outreach in Morelia

We did a tract distribution one afternoon at the "Exposition of Michoacan." We were able to witness to a few people and get out 1,300 tracts in just a couple of hours. We had a couple visit the church and got another contact as a result.



## Edifying the Believer

In May, we were able to get away for a men's campout. Twelve men and boys attended. It was a great opportunity to pray together and encourage one another.



## New Opportunity—Rehab Center

In June, the Lord opened a great opportunity for us to begin a ministry in a local drug and alcohol rehabilitation center.



This was not a ministry that we were looking for, but the Lord opened it up for us. We go every Saturday morning and preach to around 15 to 20 people. In the last couple of months, we have seen 9 people come to put their faith in Christ! The real challenge for them will come when they get out of the center. Pray for us that we can be a help and encouragement to them and their families at that time. We were able to lead Bernardo, the owner and head of the center, to Christ over breakfast one morning recently. We are praying he will come to church and that we can help him.

Cesar, one of our men who has been very faithful, is helping me with this ministry. He was in a rehab center in his youth. The Lord used him to open the door for us to have this opportunity. My prayer is that Cesar will continue to grow to later take charge of that ministry.

## A Year of Anniversaries & Adjustments

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, we completed 20 years of service here in Morelia. Also, Jeannie and I celebrated our 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in August. My son, Andrew, came for a couple of weeks and did all the preaching for me so that we could get away. It was wonderful! We came back to just two kids in the house. Andrew returned for his senior year at Crown. Hannah had stayed home a semester for health reasons but is now better and was able to return. Elisabeth has now migrated to Tennessee as well. The girls will be working for a year and hope to enter classes next fall. Please pray for them as they both have health issues with which they deal, and especially for Elisabeth as she adjusts to life in America.



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