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Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you for making it possible for us to serve God where He has called us. He has been so good to us and you are one more indication of how much God loves us.

Yesterday, June 9, we celebrated Father's Day a week early at church with 80 fathers present, 12 people making their public professions of faith, and 6 baptisms. We do this every year because on the third Sunday of June we celebrate our church's anniversary.

Next Sunday, June 16, we will celebrate the thirty-first anniversary of Mount Hebron Baptist Church in El Barrial, Santiago, Nuevo Leon. What a joy it is to have served God with these precious people!

In the last three weeks, six people have volunteered to be Sunday School teachers. That makes a total of 78 people working in our Sunday School with 73 different classes being taught. In addition to our team of faithful Sunday School teachers, 30 more workers serve in the five children's churches we hold every Sunday. God has given us the best team of teachers and workers we have ever had. Our Sunday School is our discipleship ministry. We teach and emphasize that the purpose of the Sunday School is not only teaching the Bible, but it is caring for people.

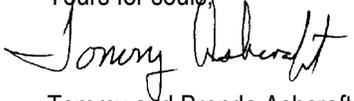
I had the privilege of teaching the first two weeks of Summer School in Mount Hebron Bible Institute, from May 19 to May 31. I taught a course called "Proverbs for the Preacher". I taught through the book of Proverbs selecting and emphasizing principles that have a specific application to the ministry. We graduated thirteen young men and women from the Bible Institute this year, and two of these are now starting new churches. Pray for this ministry.

Last Saturday as I prepared to go preach in a home-Bible study that one of our men has in his house, the doorbell rang. Juan Carlos and Marisa were visiting houses asking for help. Their eight-year old son, Juan Carlos, had been operated on last Wednesday. I usually do not give money to people like this. There are so many of our faithful church members who need help that I feel like I should help with their needs first. But for some reason I thought I should help this couple. For one thing they gave me the room and bed number of their child. I gave them a few pesos and before they left was able to lead them to Christ. I go soul-winning every week, but it is such a joy when God just puts someone in our path. Please pray that we can get this couple in church.

Brenda has a group of ladies that meet every Friday in our home, and then go out knocking doors and giving the gospel to those who will listen. Last week, she had a light case of bronchitis and had to go to the doctor for antibiotics. Her regular physician was not available, so she saw a young woman doctor named Dra. Herculía Martínez. No patients were waiting, so Brenda took the opportunity to win the young doctor to the Lord. Yesterday afternoon, she also won a lady who came to the door asking for blood donations for a heart bypass surgery for her friend in need.

We are excited about what God has in store for us. We appreciate your confidence in what we are doing. Thank you, again, for all you do.

Yours for souls,


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