

The Benedict Family

Missionaries to Mexico

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And they that know thy name will put their trust in Thee:
for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.
Psalm 9:10



Ivan is a 13-year-old boy who was able to hand out tracts for the first time in his life this week.

TRIVIA QUESTION



Q: How many people can you fit in a fifteen passenger van?

A: Thirty-six, if they're Mexicans.

Please pray with us that God will provide another vehicle for bringing His people to discipleship classes and church services. We are currently transporting up to 51 people for each service.

A SOULWINNER UNLEASHED

In our last letter, we high-lighted a little girl named Maria. We asked you to pray for her. Shortly after the newsletter was sent out, Maria came to know Jesus as her personal Saviour. Since that time, she's been the driving force behind three other girls making the decision to make Jesus the Lord of their lives also. Your prayers do make such a difference!

WALLS NEAR BURSTING POINT!

In the last news letter we told you that we had set a new record attendance, having seventy-five in church services. Since that time, our attendance has grown. We are averaging eighty-two people each week, with a new record attendance of ninety-one. God is so good!

We've seen twenty people make salvation decisions in the last two months, and we have seen three people baptized. God is so faithful!

We told you that we had some property given to us for a church building. Plans are in place to start building in November. We've had almost \$3000 given towards this need, and expect God to provide more as we move along with this work. Jehovah Jireh!

WEEKLY DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Discipleship classes are up and running. We started with only four adults and have grown to a record attendance of forty-six, including many children as well as adults. Because of this, we have added classes for the children. Jose's wife, Marta, has been doing a wonderful job of teaching all the children. Recently the adult group has been learning about baptism. Please pray for them as they contemplate this very important first step of obedience.

The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.
Psalms 92:12

If you would like to give towards the church building project, please send your gift to:

TRRBC
Attn: Jerez Building Fund
P.O. Box 1026
Branson West, MO 65737

Focus on Fresno

Fresno is a town that neighbors Jerez to the Northwest about an hour away. It's a city of approximately 250,000 people, and is very important in the state of Zacatecas as one of the main industrial centers.

There are four Baptist pastors with multiple works in the city. We have been assisting when we can, giving material (tracts, John/Romans, Bibles), and of course, prayer support.

One of the pastors, Pepe, has a "soup kitchen" ministry. They normally operate in two locations, three days a week. We have, through supporters like you, provided food, and pots and pans towards this endeavor. Unfortunately this hasn't completely fulfilled the needs of this ministry and they have had to shut down one of their feeding locations. Please pray about this need. It costs about \$180/wk to operate both locations, and there are other needs as well.

Luke 14:13 *But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind: and thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.*