

# The Benedict Family

Missionaries to Mexico

March/April 2005

## A MISSION TRIP MEMORY

We had the privilege of hosting a small group from Wilson Creek Baptist Church in Battlefield, Missouri at the beginning of March. There were three of them, Christopher and Melanie Jaquess, leaders of the young adults, and Miss Joyce Jackson, the Jr. Church teacher. We had a wonderful time, passing out close to 2,500 pieces of scripture in less than a week. We passed out John/Romans, tracts, as well as 149 whole Bibles in three different locations.

One of the locations was in Fresnillo with Pastor Pepe and the folks at his church. He had asked us to assist them in getting a Bible in every home in their neighborhood. Afterwards, we had a dinner with them (like all good Baptists). It was a lot of fun, but better than that, the last we heard, they had six first-time visitors come for services.

We also passed out John/Romans and tracts in a town called *Villa Nueva*, giving away over 1,400 in less than 10 minutes. Then the next day, we went to an area called *El Molino* and handed out food, toys, and candy along with more scripture.

At 12:30 a.m. that night, we took off for the airport in Monterrey, about a six hour drive. Their airplane took off just before 9 a.m., so we allowed ourselves a little time for the unexpected. Boy, did we get the unexpected. At about 4 a.m., we heard a strange whining sound, followed by the smell of something burning. We were able to pull off at an all-night truck stop, where we opened the hood to find flames shooting out of the alternator. We quickly doused the fire, but now we were stuck. We were able to get the group a ride in a tractor-trailer to the next big town of Saltillo, where the truck driver helped them get a taxi to Monterrey. They made their flight (which later on had a few problems, nothing life threatening), and made it home with many great stories to tell for a long time.

*Seek the LORD and His strength: seek His face evermore.*

**Psalm 105:4**



Two men checking out their brand-new Bibles

Please remember to pray for those who have received scriptures

## IN CHURCH NEWS...

Brothers Chuck Parks and Steve Briscoe brought us our home church's old pews. Our church has been renovating and adding on. With the new addition came the need for more pews so they donated the old pews for our mission work here in Jerez. After an exciting few moments at the border, they made it the rest of the way here with no problems.

**And**, we have a place to put them! We are renting a former store, turned video arcade. It's a good size to start out in and we will have the option of renting a larger place right near by when we out-grow this one. The people who live in this area had already been asking if we would have a Vacation Bible School or something like that for them.

## NEW BABY!



On March seventeenth, we had a knock on our door. Lupe, one of our faithful church members, was standing there. Her daughter had just had an emergency c-section and they needed help with the unplanned medical expenses. God was good (as always) and had provided for this need in advance. Momma still needs to be saved, her name is Patti. How about that baby, isn't she cute?

## PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for Anjelica and her family of four children. She is one of the fastest growing baby Christians we have here and Satan is attacking her pretty hard. Her husband just divorced her about two months ago. Now she's being forced out of the home they've been living in. God has provided a place, but she has no job and therefore no income.

*Pure religion and undefiled before God... is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction...James 1:27*