April 2021 Newsletter



Mexico Baptist Ministries



The Ministries of Rev. Louis E. & Joan Kahler

"....The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest." Luke 10:2

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings from the Grand Vision Baptist Church in Bocoyna, Chihuahua. Thank you once again for your faithful prayers and support. Also, thank you for praying for my health. I am thankful that my health is improving, and I should be back to full strength soon. I received the following reports from Pastor Martinez and from our missions.

CHURCH UPDATE – God is blessing us greatly with souls being saved. Christians are faithfully serving the Lord in witnessing. Last month, the federal government closed all churches and prohibited public gatherings due to another COVID outbreak. Many people in our community were sick, including those that live at the Complex.

Forest services are the principal source of work for people in the nearby mountainous area. Due to the pandemic, they have not been able to go into the area to cut wood. Some have left Bocoyna to find work in larger cities. Pray that this problem will be solved soon so that people can return home and resume their normal lives.

LA JUNTA MISSION (Pastor Luis Carlos Saenz) – Many children attended church services on Children's Day. They handed out treats to the children and they heard a lesson from God's Word.

NATAHUACHI MISSION (Pastor Adriel Martinez) – God is blessing the mission. One man was saved, and a 12-year-old boy was baptized. Pray for Adriel's wife, Jaqueline, who is recovering from COVID.

PANALACHI MISSION (Missionary Mario Zavala) – We are thankful for a new Tarahumara family who has been faithfully attending services. Pray for their salvation. Also pray for several young people that have been saved and baptized in the mission. Their parents are not saved, and they will not let them attend church regularly. Also pray that God will supply funds to buy material to fence the property.

VILLA JUAREZ MISSION (Missionary Bonifacio Gonzalez) – Brother Bonifacio and his family work with the Pima and Mayo Tribes. He is also in charge of the Kipor Baptist Mission, a 5-hour drive from Villa Juarez. Please pray for the members of this mission. They are without a national pastor right now. It is located in a very dangerous area. Please pray for the safety of Brother Bonifacio as he travels to visit the mission. Also pray for the people, for God's protection, and that they will remain faithful to the Lord.

ANSWERED PRAYERS – The following are some of the prayers God has answered recently:

- We are thankful that baby Jocabed's treatments on her feet are progressing well.
- The county of Bocoyna decided to fix the unpaved road from the main highway to our complex. We have been praying about this for a long time.
- Most of the people in our complex who were sick with COVID have recovered from their illness.
- New people are attending church services.

PRAYER REQUESTS – We are thankful for God's protection and His blessings upon us. We continue to serve the Lord, as there are still many people to be reached with the Gospel, so we persevere in His name.

The following is a list of our prayer requests:

- Pray for protection from organized crime and from the Coronavirus.
- Pray for the salvation of souls in the Grand Vision Baptist Church and its missions.
- Pray for Pastor Martinez and full-time workers. That God will supply for their financial and spiritual needs.
- Pray that the Lord will lead in the opening of our Christian schools and the dormitories.

We are deeply grateful to all of you that have stood behind us with your prayers and faithful support. We are thankful for your gifts in the amount of <u>\$2,100</u>. Please keep God's work here in Mexico in your prayers.

Sincerely in Him,

Joan Kahler

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Chidren's Day at the GVBC



Church Service in La Junta

PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD



Church Service at the Grand Vision Baptist Church



Road Construction