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Proverbs 25:25 "Like cold water
to a weary soul is good news
from a distant land".

Greetings from beautiful Mexico! In September we observe the "Mes de la Patria" – the "Month of the Fatherland", where we celebrate Independence Day on the 16th and wave flags and feel patriotic all month long!

We are so excited to write and give an update on the ministry here in Ensenada. For a little over a year our church was online, and we only saw each other through Zoom calls, FaceTime, etc. In April the church opened - with protocols and everyone being careful. In July we began meeting in person again with our marriage groups. In the end of July, a small group from Pleasanton came down and sponsored a building project and hosted a beach night with our youth – the kickoff to meeting again in person. While dealing with fears and the unknown, we praise God because no one has gotten Covid as a result of being back together. Being together – in person – in the body of Christ has been like fresh, cold water to quench our thirsty souls!

We would like to tell you a story through pictures of the last few months!

La Gran Comisión opened it's doors!



We traveled up to Taft Avenue Community Church in Orange where Pablo spoke.

Marriage and Men's groups began in person once again



Young Marrieds Group (6 couples)

Strong Marriages Group (9)



Because of Covid, the majority of groups have had to remain home. One of those is St. Barnabas | Mayo Clinic | RLC & Friends Medical Mission... However, in mid-July they sponsored a clinic in their absence! Local doctors, eye doctors and dentists gave their time and about 380 people were seen!



Triage (L), Pastor Ruben and Mirna (R), the representative from an Ensenada government agency that facilitated many details.



Pharmacy (L), and one of the guys in charge (R)!! Pablo and Jenny, from our youth group.



Dental Area

Late July came Valley Community Church from Pleasanton!

*Kick off of
the youth
program,
once again
to meet in
person.*



*Room addition work project
sponsored and begun...*





Giving dignity & security to a family

Next steps:

- electrical
- drywall
- finish work
- the add on of one more bedroom
- exterior wall covering and stucco of completed house
- roofing of completed house

God is faithful!

In August we had a very meaningful visit from the pastor and some leaders of Taft Avenue Community Church and were able to show them the things we have been working on and dreams for the future. Pastor Craig spent time in prayer with Pastor Ruben over both of their ministries'.



In every way, we thank God for being with us...For the privilege of being back together in person—for God's provision in every detail.

We ask for your prayers:

- in our "Strong Marriages" group, one couple joins us online from Cuba and in our "Young Marrieds" we have two couples that join us online because of distance and schooling. Now being back in person that means streaming without Wi-Fi over at the church. The connection isn't always great!
- For continued finances for the projects in the works.
- For guidance as we lead marriages, the men, the youth. That God would give us wisdom as we deal with the many things that they are confronting in our world today. That they would base their lives on Christ and His Word.



Lots of wonderful happenings have taken place over the last few months!

Grandma Virginia, (Martha's mom) celebrated 80 years!



Mischa Hermosa, celebrated 10!



Pablo got to go camping on his birthday with friends, and Ben and the grandkids surprised him by dropping in! The best gift ever!!

There was a small amount of remaining medicines left over from the clinic in July. Our hearts are pained from not being able to travel to Cuba for

trainings—but even more so for the plight that our dear family there is suffering due to Covid, and economical and political unrest. We were able to send a box of medications and hygiene items to our friends there. It is estimated to arrive in 3 to 4 months—but we are prayerful and expectant as we wait!



Out on the field again!

Youth enjoying being together

Gifts from Arizona for the students to begin classes...

