



November/December 2020

Dear Fellow-Laborers in the Gospel,

Once again Thanksgiving and Christmas are fast approaching and our hearts are filled with praise to God for Who He is and for all that He has done. The Apostle Peter reminds us that we, as His people, are to "...shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you (us) out of darkness into His marvelous light." This praise is to be constant, and it is certainly our prayer that your Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons will abound in praise to Him Who alone is worthy of praise.

PRAISE FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE THE GOSPEL. The COVID crisis has limited our opportunities, but there are still open doors. We would like to share three very recent ones. While having our car serviced, we shared the gospel with a Mexican man who is from the area of Mexico where we studied Spanish. He not only accepted literature, but read it completely in our presence before leaving. Secondly, right after the first hurricane hit Central America, we met a Honduran man at a convenience mart. He was on his way to work, but gladly listened and willingly accepted gospel literature. He was truly grateful for our prayers for those in the path of the hurricane. Thirdly, on a recent brief visit to Indiana, the Lord opened the door to talk to a Mexican waiter and to the owner of the Mexican restaurant. The owner's wife is a believer and his children are students in the Christian school where our daughter and granddaughter are teachers. Please pray for Javier's salvation. Gospel literature was gladly received.

PRAISE FOR OPEN DOORS IN DIFFICULT DAYS. Because of COVID-related limitations, the Lord burdened our hearts to reach out to people by letter, telephone, email, text, etc. and to encourage believers through these means as well as through personal contact at church, etc. So many are in need of encouragement and help and these days of crises are great days of opportunity to minister. Oh to be like the house of Stephanas who "addicted (set) themselves to the ministry of the saints," 1 Cor. 16:15!

PRAISE FOR OUR ALL-WISE, SOVEREIGN GOD. At the present time, our study with Carlos is on hold. Our nation continues to move away from God and His Word. So many things seem to be out-of-control. However, may we never lose sight of the fact that OUR GOD IS SOVEREIGN and is STILL ON THE THRONE. Let's praise Him for the truth of 1 Chron. 29:11, 12 "...Thou art exalted as Head above all...Thou reignest over all...and in Thine hand is power and might." May our hearts be encouraged to serve Him as never before!

PRAISE FOR FAMILY BLESSINGS. Stephen-we continue to have regular telephone conversations about the Bible with him. Jonathan-things continue to progress in his exercises and he is slowly gaining more strength in his lower body. Bill Butler-had quadruple by-pass surgery and has had a few setbacks but is making good progress at present.

PRAISE FOR ENCOURAGEMENT IN SERVICE. We are so thankful for the ministry of our pastor and church. We just had our 2020 Missions Conference with the theme "Grow and Go" and our hearts were challenged anew to get more involved in serving our Lord!

PRAISE FOR PRAYER WARRIORS. Your support through prayer is so vital, and we are very appreciative of it. Some areas of greatest need are: open doors to witness and to minister to believers, tract distribution, Carlos' and Stephen's spiritual growth, salvation of souls, Jonathan's progress, Bill Butler's full recovery, wisdom and strength for service. Thanks for your partnership.

In His Love and Grace,

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