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Christ, Only Christ!

Proclaiming HIM Following HIM

May 2021

In Jesus

In the world, tribulation; but in Jesus -- peace;
The heart of the whirlwind where its roarings cease,
A little home waiting, still and light and warm,
A safe sanctuary from the night and storm.

In the world, tribulation; but in Jesus -- rest;
A sure place of refuge for the sore-opprest,
A guarded pavilion no device can take,
A strong-walled fortress no assault can shake.

In the world tribulation; but in Jesus -- joy;
A full cup of gladness that can never cloy,
A sweet fountain rising out of Marrah's tide,
A spring of rejoicing that is never dried.

In the world, tribulation; but in Jesus -- peace;
A deep, quiet harbor where the high waves cease,
A long-desired haven on a friendly shore,
Where the wild winds of oceans sweep the soul no more.

In the world, tribulation, trials all around,
For on earth no resting and no joys are found;
Let us flee to Jesus where all sorrows cease;
Here alone is gladness, here alone is peace.

Annie Johnson Flint

One More Funeral

One week after burying Ezequiel and much to everyone's surprise, a lady in our church Eva, died unexpectedly. She had been in the hospital recovering from Covid for several weeks and the doctors were positive about her condition and recovery. It just seemed like a matter of time until she would be home again. Apparently she died in the early morning from a blood clot—a common issue for recovering Covid patients, according to the doctor.

Eva with her husband Ramón and two youngest daughters, Sandi and Sarai

Preparing the grave

Ramón has been in a wheel chair for several years due to a car accident. He also got sick with Covid and is slowly recovering. After the unexpected death of his wife, we are all concerned about his full recovery.

As you can imagine Eva's death was a devastating blow to the family but the Lord seems to be using this tragedy to work in the hearts of Ramón and Eva's unsaved children and family members.

The funeral service

- *Heavenly Father, comfort and strengthen Ramón and his children with your love and faithful Word!*
- *Use this trial in their lives to draw them closer to You.*
- *Help us to believe the Truth and not entertain Satan's lies. In Jesus' name, amen.*

Guillermo

For several months now I have been studying the Bible with Guillermo. He lives in Morelia and is in his early 30's. I don't think he's understood yet but I feel like the Lord is working in his heart.

He always comes for both the Sunday morning church service and Wednesday night prayer meeting.

- *Dear Lord, protect Guillermo from the discouragement of the enemy.*
- *Help him to see the Lord Jesus as He is and rest in Him.*
- *Use him to proclaim Your name to others. Amen.*

Guillermo helping me knead bread for cinnamon rolls on Mother's Day

Parents in Action

With over a hundred people in attendance we had a wonderful Parents in Action camp the past month. This time we all read a biography on the life of Eric Liddell—Olympic gold medal winner and missionary to China.

Working in the kitchen

Family Bible verse presentation time

A young family saying the verse they memorized

Taking care of the twins during quiz time

Levi with cousin Emma

It's always encouraging to fellowship with like-minded brothers and sisters in Christ. This camp has proven to be an excellent opportunity for just that and also a tool to help parents raise their children in the Way they should go.

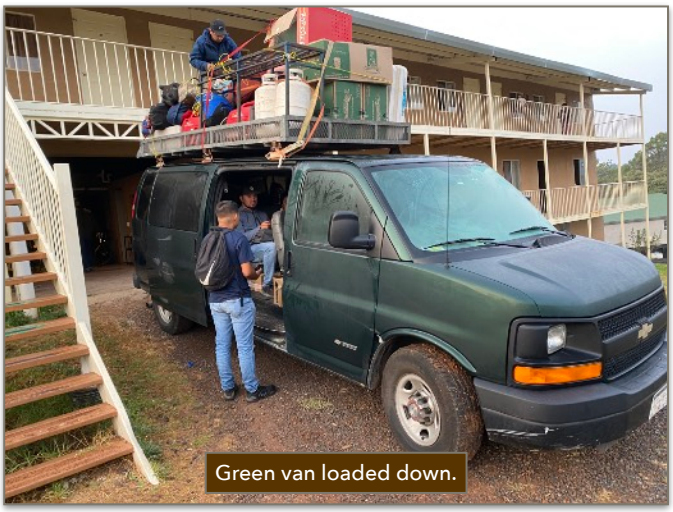
- *Wonderful Savior, help this parents lead there children to You.*
- *Help them to be honest, transparent and humble.*
- *Give them special discernment in these evil days. Amen.*

Amor Divino

From May 30 to April 3rd we revisited close to 30,000 homes in and around Zamora Michoacán—where my oldest brother Caleb is serving the Lord.

In the past we have always knocked on the door of every house offering a free Gospel of John to anyone who was interested. The problem with this was that more than half the time nobody was home to receive the Gospel of John and even if they were, the person who opened the door may or may not have accurately represented the openness or interest of everyone who lives in that house.

Edy tying down everything!


Green van loaded down.

Filling the bags to leave at every house!

This year because of Covid, we decided not to knock on doors and just leave a little bag at every home containing a Gospel of John, a card that explains who we are and a Gospel tract. Though at first I didn't think it was going to be as effective, I now see that it could end up being even more effective!

Serving lunch

Long line for lunch!

Out on the street

Prayer time

Evangelistic mime during evening outreach

Right now we have about 5 contacts who want a Bible study and since the cards and tracts distributed have our contact information on them there could end up being even more as time goes by.

- *Heavenly Father, continue protecting Your Word from him who would snatch it away.*
- *Cause it to be read in the perfect time.*
- *Fill Caleb and Alma with patience, strength and love as they do follow-up work.*
- *Glorify Your name through this work! In Jesus name, amen.*

What's Next?

Yesterday after finishing Amor Divino, I my parents and sister Annie all flew up to Washington to spend some time with my grandparents. After our time here I plan on visiting some close friends in Colorado Springs before returning to Mexico.

As soon as I return, I will be right back into the daily routine of Bible studies weekend ministries and business responsibilities at Havilah.

- *Good Shepherd, help us to make the most of this time of rest.*
- *Continue working in those who are responding to You.*
- *Keep them from Satan's lies and in Your Word.*
- *Make us a light and blessing everywhere we go. Amen.*

All of you are a huge blessing to me! Thank you for all your support!

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Your brother in CHRIST!

- *MARANATHA!*