

Christ, only Christ!

Report of the use of talents entrusted to nathan, HIS servant



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“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.”

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My Visa

The month of October has sped by, and I still haven't been able to get my visa! I never dreamed that it would take so long. Let me fill you in on the details. I left Mexico on October 4th, as my previous visa was due to expire on the 5th. That work visa had allowed me to be in Mexico exclusively for the purpose of working at Berea Coffee Co. When I tried to renew it, I was told by the Mexican INM (immigration) that the work visa does not allow me to give Bible studies or do any other activity in Mexico except work for Berea Coffee. After discovering this, I decided that it would be best to take the time and hassle of changing my visa to what is called "Ministro de Culto". This is basically a missionary visa that will give me the ability to continue working in the ministry legally.

To acquire this visa, I have to be in the United States. Thus the reason for my month spent here in America.

What Have I Been Doing?

I spent my first two weeks with my grandmother in McAllen, Texas. During that time I was able to purchase some items for the ministry in Mexico, as well as get a little reading done on some great books.

After that, I drove to Bay Town, Texas to visit my dear friends Rick and Margie and The Bay Town Community Church. I was blessed and encouraged by my visit there.

The next day after the service, I drove to Little Rock, Arkansas to visit Faith Bible Fellowship, another supporting church. I was able to get some paperwork that I needed for my visa, and I have stayed with them for two weeks during which I worked with Daniel and Phillip Persson in their painting business. It has been a great joy and encouragement to spend time around these two godly men. I so enjoyed my time with them and with all the great folks here.

What's the Plan?

I plan to leave November 1st to head back to McAllen, Texas. Since my visa has taken so long, and it looks like it may still take a while, I plan to head back home on a tourist visa for the month of November. (This visa can be acquired for up to 180 days, but is only supposed to be used if you are a tourist.) The reason that I would do this is that one of our largest camps of the year happens in late November. My parents feel quite a bit of pressure trying to get everything ready for it, and decided that it would be best if I go back and help them. After the camp is over, I will be able to continue on my visa.

I hope to be traveling home from McAllen on November 4th or 5th. I would appreciate your prayers for travel mercies and for progress on my visa.

Thank you all so much for your interest and support!

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Your brother in Jesus,

Maranatha!