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Missionaries to Mexico City

Taking the message of Salvation from the heart of God to the heart of Mexico

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Dear Pastor and praying friends:

Well, 2011 is just a memory. We are rejoicing as we look back over 2011 to see what God has done in Mision Bautista Tlahuac and through our ministry here in Mexico City. In 2011, over 40 people received Christ as their Savior, 3 were baptized in our services, as well as other young people baptized at camp, and we have 5 in leadership training. Four of these are training in our Bible Institute and one is training across town in another Bible Institute. We also saw another mission that was disband due to many reasons join with us to strengthen our mission. Our missions giving has also increased. In our final faith promise offering of 2011, our church promised \$1,555 pesos per month (about \$120 usd). We are so excited about what God did in 2011 and look forward to what He is going to do in 2012.

December was a very busy month. James finished up English classes on the thirteenth. This was the final class for a group of 5 who have been with us for over a year studying English each week. During the last class, James went outside to speak to a man who stopped by asking for help. He said he didn't want money or food, he just needed guidance. James was able to introduce Hector to our Guide who is always with us. Hector received Christ and accepted a Bible. He is living on the street so we can't follow up with him as he doesn't have an address. Please pray for him that his decision was genuine and that he will follow through with the Lord. We had lots of play practices the beginning part of the month and both the youth and the children presented their plays on December 18th. We had 76 in attendance to see the plays. After the services we had our Christmas party with tacos and piñatas. It was lots of fun for everyone. Christmas vacations started that weekend as well so after the party things quieted down a little. We did have a Christmas Eve service and a Christmas day service as well as a New Year's Eve service and a New Year's Day service. On the 29th, we had a special Lord's supper service with 27 in attendance. Praise the Lord!

Now, we look forward to 2012. We are planning an attendance campaign for the end of January and February that will terminate in Friend Day. James is also going to be handing over more of the responsibilities of preaching to Ricardo and Alejandro. His plan is that by March they will do most, if not all, of the preaching. We are also in the process of getting people in place to count the offerings, record attendance, take over the ladies ministry, as well as all the other ministries. We are so thankful that God has grown a faithful core group of believers who want to see the church go forward even in our absence. Please be in prayer for our people at Tlahuac Baptist Mission as we go through this transition time and prepare for furlough.

On a personal note, we are also going to be looking for a new place to "live" or store our things while we are on furlough. We would like an apartment close to our work that will be more affordable. Please pray with us that the Lord will open the right doors and provide the right place for us.

Thank you for standing with us both in your prayers and financial support in 2011. For all that was accomplished in 2011 we say, "To God be the Glory, Great things HE has done!" Looking forward to a blessed 2012.

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