THE MARQUEZ FAMILY

REACHING MEXICO CITY WITH THE GOSPEL

July & August 2023

"Only fear the LORD, and serve him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great things he hath done for you." -1 Samuel 12:24

Dear praying friends,

We want to thank you for taking the time to pray, give, and for staying informed about the various needs all around the world and specifically Mexico by reading our prayer letter.

We are excited to share with you that 11 souls were saved these past 2 months from various events at our church. Our first VBS was a success in every sense of the word and we give God all the honor and praise. We had about 20 volunteers from our church help plan, organize, and serve. Many of them were from our teen group and it was great to see God use them in amazing ways. 32 kids attended VBS and 27 kids came all 5 days! Many of the "church kids" invited friends from their public schools and they had a blast learning truths from God's Word. Four of these children were gloriously saved and one of them has been coming faithfully with his grandma and extended family members. In fact, his grandma and grandma's sister got saved and immediately began discipleship.

Every Sunday, after every morning service, we have a time of discipleship for anyone who is saved, but has not been discipled. We cover doctrines that are vital to our everyday Christian life. Currently, 15 people are being discipled by us and other members from our church. We set up tables and chairs in the sanctuary and although it sounds like we are all speaking in tongues, we are able to have a one-on-one-time with our new brothers and sisters in Christ. God is also at work in our teen ministry. There are teens that are considering attending a bible college and we have begun the process of visiting several options where they could attend.

Our family is enjoying life and ministry here in Mexico City. My wife feels great most days and has been thriving with the medications that were prescribed for her. Some days she struggles with joint pain and her nervous system but nothing like before. Please pray the medications would continue to help her. Our kids are healthy and learning life skills at the moment. Andres is in the middle of potty training and can jump and talk in full sentences. Sebastian is learning to read in English and in Spanish and loves math! I am also feeling well and am so excited to see God work through the ministry he has entrusted us. We think of you often and pray for your churches. God bless you!



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Esteban, Alejandra, Sebastian, and Andres

Fun Fact

One of the cheapest meals are tacos de canasta, or tacos from a basket. They are heated and covered with a blue plastic and sold all over the city. They are about .50 cents (US) per taco.

Prayer Requests

- For continued growth in new believers
- For God's guidance as we pray about a new place to meet in the coming year, maybe purchasing land.
- · For my wife's overall health

Blessings

- We have been constantly having new visitors and our church is growing!
- God blessed in a tremendous way during VBS. We had 32 kids come and 4 kids got saved
- We have a new family in church as a result of our VBS
- We are currently disciplining 15 people as a church

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