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Dear Friends in Christ,

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A Psalm of David. Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Ps 103:1
I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving!

Camargo: The Iglesia Bíblica Bautista is showing her maturity, staying faithful to church services, discipleships, and door knocking, during the 2 months that I was in the U. S. reporting to churches. The offerings are paying all the monthly bills, Ismael's salary, and Faith Promise commitments. They're not able to maintain their church building or the van route yet, but they are doing well!

Hardly a week goes by that we don't see people saved door knocking! Amen! Marcos, in his 40's, called on the Lord, weeping and broken. Please pray that he and others will get into church!

My assistant, Ismael and wife Sarahí did a great job of keeping up with everything in my absence. We had the 4th anniversary celebration of the church in November. We had been meeting in a room in the building, but beginning with the anniversary we moved into the new auditorium, though not finished yet, to have more room. We also baptized 3 teens that Sunday!

Nineteen year-old Arturo, one of those baptized, had had an accident and in the hospital, some "Christians" prayed with him that he would be healed, and a couple of weeks later upon leaving the hospital, he starting attending a "Christian church". Upon visiting our church, we learned that he was counting on this physical healing as his "salvation". Upon hearing the real Gospel, he trusted Christ and right away led a younger brother to Christ, and goes out door knocking every week! All 4 siblings are attending most of the services, and their mother has come a couple of times! Amen!

Furlough: I was in 14 of my supporting churches in September and October and the first Sunday of November. It was a great time of visiting old friends, and meeting a lot of new people, but also a hard time, reporting back to churches that knew Connie and loved her, for the first time without her. I'm so thankful for the blessing all the churches were to me, and for the Lord's protection over those 8,000 miles in the north, east and south. I will be trying to report to more churches in the months ahead.

Building: Some of the churches on my trip gave extra money to help with the renovations of the building the Lord gave us for the church, for which we are very thankful! We are challenging the church to give special Christmas offerings for the glue and grout for the ceramic tile the church bought for the auditorium and entry of the building. We always teach the church their personal responsibility, and to trust the Lord for their own needs, to not only depend on others!

We've had extra funds in the mission account, so we have been able to help a couple of our missionaries and a church plant up in Chihuahua, with some visas, health, and building needs!

Since I'm back, we have been working on the bathrooms, nursery and pre-kinder classroom. My apartment in the building is not finished yet either, though I have been living in it since the end of August, so I'm doing what I can, a little at a time to get it more presentable and useable.

Praise: People saved; Good furlough; Faithfulness of the church; Great anniversary & baptisms;
Churches that faithfully support me; Provision and progress on the building

Prayer: Souls saved & baptized; To know God's will for my life & ministry; Building progress

In His Service,

Bro. Ron Winter