Our 19<sup>th</sup> church anniversary coincided with the 204<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Republic of Mexico. A quite interesting angle on the Mexican flag: it is the only national flag in the world, with **an active battle going on**. The predominant colors are: red (blood), white (purity/unity) and green (hope/victory) boldly stand across the front. And in the center is an eagle (spirit) with the rattle snake (flesh) in its mouth, while the eagle is standing with one foot on a prickly pear cactus. I liken this battle that all of us must strive to have our Spirit win against our flesh. The Bible says in Galatians 5:16-17: "This I say then, walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the **Spirit against the flesh**: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would."

We had a special speaker for our anniversary who had his guitar at the ready to weave lovely psalms and hymns and spiritual songs throughout his message. I have known this brother for almost 20 years. He has been very generous by fixing our vans on the American side of the border. We have learned much recently in the way of correcting the tone of music from 440 hertz to 432 hz. The 432 hz is the Creator's natural flowing sound of wind, leaves blown, river water, animals and any and almost all nature sounds. Many [elite leaders and others], from the 1930's on influenced changes from the natural and healing 432 hz sound [world-wide] to the more ego based 440 hz. Did not David use his harp to refresh Saul? We have tuned our instruments back to the 432 hz and the difference has been quite noticeable.

Asunción (don't recall her last name(s)), is a Christian lady that has come to our church off and on for about 5 or so years. Recently, she came forward during the invitation and said, "I don't know why I have waited so long, but I want to present myself for baptism." I spoke to her briefly and it came to pass that as a young child she had an altercation in a pool of water, could not get out, could not breathe, and almost drowned. Many times, childhood traumas continue to affect us in deep rooted ways. But since her baptism, she has been quite active and you can see the excitement on her face. We had 3 baptisms, including Asunción, recently and we are still celebrating. Converts are growing and beaming for Jesus. Amen and Amen!

I had a wreck recently, but all is well, thank the Lord. It seems the ABS brake system seemed to lock up with the rain and gravel, I lost control on an access road near a speed bump and hit a van in the back. There were no injuries except my pride, which should be squashed as often as possible. All was settled between both party(s), and we are so thankful that no one was injured.

The puppet ministry is coming right along as the young adults are learning to assemble the puppets and learning to use various backgrounds to recreate Bible stories, to convey the message of Christ in the most positive ways. We will begin to give the gospel in many different scenarios very soon.

We praise the Lord that in these last 2 months or so we have had 176 Mexican souls receive Christ as Saviour in and out of the church services. We are thankful for the heartfelt responsibility that our church members have taken upon themselves. There are so many precious believers in the church where we serve but I wanted to highlight: Frank Rocha Tabares and Victor Segundo de Jesus, as two of the most faithful men that go soulwinning and teach and preach in houses and on the streets. In Mexico City,

Missionaries David and Holly Combe, Mark 11:22