

We are Thankful!

In the midst of focusing on “Thankfulness”, the largest civil unrest since our arriving in Mexico is occurring. We covet your prayers for our protection and safety. Many have reached out to us asking about our well-being due to the response of “*The People*” concerning the subtle Communist take-over. Thank you, we are well, but you can feel the moral pressure and taste the sting of bitterness in almost every conversation at every store, gas station, passersby, etc. **The people of Mexico need Jesus Christ now more than ever.** I can attest that this is no coordinated effort by controlled opposition but a combination of hate for the multitude of killings of candidates on this last presidential run, the 1968 murder of 100’s of students before the Olympics, the 2014 killing and burning of 43 students of Ayotzinapa, among many, many, other atrocities.

Our Thanksgiving Sunday Celebration included 13 visitors with 9 receiving Christ as Lord and King, Amen and Amen! Many special songs by the children (dressed up as animals), etc. and the ladies were all dressed in yellow dresses and sang Happy Gospel songs! [My favorite] And, of course, the Thanksgiving meal with all the fixins! Blanca Estela and her husband (can’t remember his name) lived in the private housing area where we lived for 2 years or so early on. Their children played with our kids, and they developed a good amicable friendship. Whenever we brought up the Gospel though, they shied away for a few weeks, but we kept loving them from afar. Her husband died a little over four (4) years ago. She found the Iglesia Bautista Monte Calvario and has been coming steadily for the past month and has made a profession of faith.

It is quite difficult to describe the feeling that the average Mexican has towards the government. The day of the Dead, November 1, 2025, another good freedom loving politician of Uruapan, Carlos Manzo, was gunned down by suspected armed government hitmen. Throughout Mexico’s recent history there have been many mass killings of decent Mexican Nationals by police and military personnel alike. In Mexico, there are no failed assassination attempts. There is no drama here, sadly, only death. The most recent previous president, Antonio Manuel Lopez Obrador, was the first communist leaning president to introduce the joining of the Mexican military with the local police called the “Guardia Nacional” or National Guard. Many have said that it is a gross and overreaching attack on the Republic of Mexico’s Constitution. The taking away the right for Mexican Nationals to bear arms started in 1917, then 1971, then 1972. This stringent right to bear arms has dwindled unlawfully, to the point that today the only caliber a Mexican can have to protect their home is a .22.

Aurora Sanchez is an older lady that lives on a sidewalk by a light pole in front of the Hospital where we feed the needy. We were setting up when I mistakenly stepped on her. She was underneath 5 layers of plastic and cardboard and blankets. To anyone walking by, it would look like a big pile of trash that someone had left for pickup. But then you notice the teepee type of design as thick pieces of plastic are tied to the pole with metal wire and then the plastic drapes down. I guess she just sits there all day under the plastic during rain or shine.

Missionaries are people, too! I gotta tell y’all this story. We have two small dogs: Bentley and Baxley. I can still remember the jealous look Bentley had on his face when I was first caressing and loving on Baxley. Yes, dogs are jealous people, too. He still has that jealous look to this day whenever I pick up and pet and love on Baxley. As Christians, we should never be jealous when God picks up and loves on a fellow believer. We should be overjoyed for them. We must never allow jealousy or envy or bitterness to grow. In Mexico City,

Missionaries David and Holly Combe, Mark 11:22

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