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Dear family and friends,

Greetings from Mexico! Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support of the ministry here. We are excited to share what has been going on here in our corner of Ensenada and the plans that we have for these next few months. Being a Christian means being fully surrendered to God... trusting that He knows all our hopes, plans, failings and is still close to our hearts. Recently I heard the song "Trust" by Hillsong F&Y and have been pondering what it means to truly trust when the details of things are more than my finite mind can hold. Here is an excerpt:

"...I'll close my eyes and just let go  
And fall into my only Hope  
There's safety in the falling  
When I surrender fully  
I put all my hope in You.  
Jesus I will trust You...  
The only thing I know  
Is God you're in control  
In every little detail  
You are close...  
the power of your presence  
fills my soul..."

Over the summer we worked together with groups in medical/dental programs, building and repairing of houses and ministry buildings! One highlight that we would like to share happened with ST. BARNABAS | MAYO CLINIC | RLC & FRIENDS. It started a year ago when a young 15 year old boy, Isaias, came to the clinic. A letter was written then, by the attending physician that was here. Amongst all the medical terminology it said: "Based on these observations I feel that he urgently needs further evaluation of his congenital heart defect and will likely need open heart surgery...I fear that his condition may become irreversible and lead to his premature death if we do not intervene soon." During the year, the wheels of intervention began spinning! The family is working on



getting the remaining legal documents in order and we were recently contacted to let us know that the hospital has approved the heart repair for Isaías. And our dear Dr. Mike, the cardiothoracic surgeon that treated him here, is donating his time and expertise for this beautiful young boy. Please pray with us for every part of this process; border crossing documentation and permission, transportation, housing, the success of the delicate surgery. The surgery is scheduled for January 2017. Thank you! "God [is] in control [of] every little detail." And the big ones too!

In our last newsletter we shared that we had begun a cell group for marriages in crisis. We finished the first round of studies and had a closing potluck. We have since begun a second round with the same group of couples and have added one more. Please pray for these couples who continue to struggle with their relationships. We have seen great strides in several couples but there is still a long way to go and we pray that their commitments would be strong and that they would persevere.



Satan's goal is to destroy the family unit and we see that fight up close... Thank you for standing with us with your prayer support.



Pablo is working hard at training a team of leaders here in our church to disciple new believers. They are strong believers who have been personally discipled and want to invest in others! This is the same thing that we do every year in Cuba, but for years at our church people just like to "get discipled" and have wanted to leave it at that. The team that is being trained right now is excited



about instilling these biblical principles in others, walking with new believers and nurturing their hearts!



We are making preparations for our upcoming trip to Cuba in January 2017. We will be doing two back-to-back Discipleship Trainer conferences in Cienfuegos and Villa Clara provinces in order to maximize resources and minimize expenses. Please pray for open hearts for the invited Cuban pastors, for cooperation from the government and that all logistics go smoothly. Please also pray for the Cuban leadership team that will be working with us. They will be away from their homes, families' and ministries for those 2 weeks and are making a huge investment.



We are expecting about 400 pastors and leaders during this 2 week period and Discipler Training Intl. (the ministry that we partner with) raises funds to be able to pay for the cost of the conference and materials, food, housing, and transportation for all that attend. Please pray for that need to be met and if you would like to support this endeavor, please follow this link! [https://tithe.ly/give\\_new/www/#/tithe/give-one-time/43692](https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithe/give-one-time/43692)

After the two weeks of training, Pablo and I will be staying on for another month to work with leaders, teaching them the curriculum that we use to take couples through pre-marital counseling. In addition to the counseling training, we are also going to conduct a marriage in crisis counseling group at the main "Brothers In Christ" church on the island which is located in Palmira, Cienfuegos. We just sent our teaching summary to the leadership in Cuba to be given to the government for approval since it is something new that we are taking. Thank you for remembering all of these many requests in your prayers!



"[Jesus] You are close...the power of your presence fills my soul..."

\*An update on bringing Cesar and Roxana from Cuba for Bible training at the Ministry Training Institute: They have their passports; we have invitations from three churches and MTI. The laws at present for a religious organization to bring Cuban nationals to Mexico are extremely rigorous and financially unattainable. We will continue to watch the laws for any opening to be able to bring them for training. It is still a great desire of our hearts and theirs. "I put all my hope in You. Jesus I will trust You..."



#### On the Home front:

Our precious Edgar graduated in May as an Architect! He is in the decision-making process of possibly continuing in a post-graduate diplomacy course or his masters. After living with us for 2 years, he has moved out with a friend that also just graduated. We were sad to see another "birdy" fly from the nest but are excited for where his future will take him and thankful for the time that he lived with us and what it will mean for his life.



Julio is a young man who has been in our lives for the last eight years. He does not live with his parents and was living in a horribly abusive situation. We invited him to come and live with us and he has been with us about 3 weeks now. He is getting his life straightened out after having made some really bad choices and will be applying for college during the first week of November. He is currently taking an online course in preparation for his entrance exams. God is restoring his life.

Yanet will continue to live with us until she graduates and Esteban comes each day for lunch! So all in all, it is quite lively around our house!



**MUCHAS GRACIAS** for your prayers and financial support for all of these young people, and for each ministry that we are involved in.



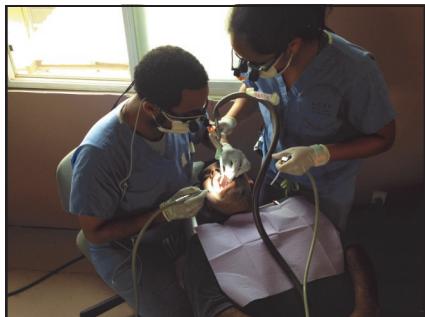
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Summer Student Missionaries! Sam, who came to learn Spanish! Bethany who came to practice her Spanish! Both came to serve Jesus with projects, groups, and any opportunity that God gave them! We praise God for their lives and thank them for their service.



Baptisms: second to left, Sam—our summer student missionary and next to Pablo is Esteban, one of the boys who eats lunch after school each day while his mother is in prison.



← Healing  
Building →



Jacob was a translator for a VBS while home over the summer!



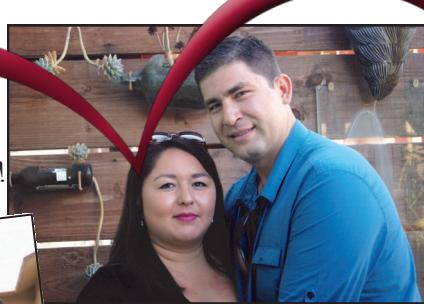
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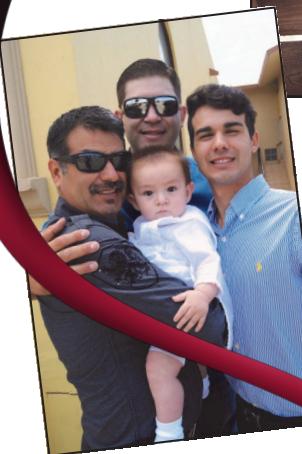
Drinking a Coke on the way home from youth camp. Bethany served as a counselor at camp!



Cooking for the men's retreat!



Family! The sweetest of gifts!



Some other couples from our cell group

