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Proverbs 25:25 "Like cold water  
to a weary soul is good news  
from a distant land".

Greetings from beautiful Mexico! In  
September we observe the "Mes de la  
Patria" – the "Month of the Fatherland",  
where we celebrate Independence Day  
on the 16<sup>th</sup> and wave flags and feel  
patriotic all month long!

We are so excited to write and give  
an update on the ministry here in  
Ensenada. For a little over a year our  
church was online, and we only saw  
each other through Zoom calls,  
FaceTime, etc. In April the church  
opened - with protocols and everyone  
being careful. In July we began  
meeting in person again with our  
marriage groups. In the end of July, a  
small group from Pleasanton came  
down and sponsored a building project  
and hosted a beach night with our youth  
– the kickoff to meeting again in person.  
While dealing with fears and the  
unknown, we praise God because no  
one has gotten Covid as a result of  
being back together. Being together –  
in person – in the body of Christ has  
been like fresh, cold water to quench  
our thirsty souls!

We would like to tell you a story  
through pictures of the last few months!

La Gran Comisión opened it's doors!



We traveled up to Taft  
Avenue Community  
Church in Orange where  
Pablo spoke.



Marriage and Men's  
groups began  
in person once again



Young Marrieds  
Group (6 couples)

Strong Marriages  
Group (9)



Because of Covid, the majority of groups  
have had to remain home. One of those  
is St. Barnabas | Mayo Clinic | RLC &  
Friends Medical Mission... However, in  
mid-July they sponsored a clinic in their  
absence! Local doctors, eye doctors and  
dentists gave their time and about 380  
people were seen!



Triage (L), Pastor Ruben and Mirna (R), the  
representative from an Ensenada government  
agency that facilitated many details.



Pharmacy (L), and one of the guys in charge  
(R)!! Pablo and Jenny, from our youth group.



Dental Area

Late July came Valley Community  
Church from Pleasanton!

Kick off of  
the youth  
program,  
once again  
to meet in  
person.



Room addition work project  
sponsored and begun...







*Giving dignity & security to a family*

Next steps:

- electrical
- drywall
- finish work
- the add on of one more bedroom
- exterior wall covering and stucco of completed house
- roofing of completed house

God is faithful!

In August we had a very meaningful visit from the pastor and some leaders of Taft Avenue Community Church and were able to show them the things we have been working on and dreams for the future. Pastor Craig spent time in prayer with Pastor Ruben over both of their ministries’.



In every way, we thank God for being with us...For the privilege of being back together in person—for God’s provision in every detail.

We ask for your prayers:

- in our “Strong Marriages” group, one couple joins us online from Cuba and in our “Young Marrieds” we have two couples that join us online because of distance and schooling. Now being back in person that means streaming without Wi-Fi over at the church. The connection isn’t always great!
- For continued finances for the projects in the works.
- For guidance as we lead marriages, the men, the youth. That God would give us wisdom as we deal with the many things that they are confronting in our world today. That they would base their lives on Christ and His Word.



## Family CORNER

*Lots of wonderful happenings have taken place over the last few months!*

*Grandma Virginia, (Martha’s mom) celebrated 80 years!*



*Mischa Hermosa, celebrated 10!*



*Pablo got to go camping on his birthday with friends, and Ben and the grandkids surprised him by dropping in! The best gift ever!!*

There was a small amount of remaining medicines left over from the clinic in July. Our hearts are pained from not being able to travel to Cuba for trainings—but even more so for the plight that our dear family there is suffering due to Covid, and economical and political unrest. We were able to send a box of medications and hygiene items to our friends there. It is estimated to arrive in 3 to 4 months—but we are prayerful and expectant as we wait!



*Out on the field again!*

*Youth enjoying being together*

*Gifts from Arizona for the students to begin classes...*

