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Dear friends and fellow laborers,

How wonderful to greet you once again in the name of our Lord and Saviour, our Messiah, and soon-coming King.

It is my desire to encourage you again with what has been happening for the Kingdom of God in Mexico due to your faithfulness in support and prayer. The major focus over the past year has been in assisting Ezequiel and Veronica in establishing a Bible School in order to train pastors for the work of the ministry. Land was purchased in a suburb of Cd. Valles called La Pimienta. It was miraculous the way this prime property was able to be purchased for much below the normal asking price. It is ideally located and suited for the Bible School.

About a year ago my father Alvin Frey, Ezequiel and Veronica, and I stood on the newly purchased property and Alvin was asked to pray over the vision for the work there. He reminded us of the account in 2 Kings 13 where Elisha prophesied over king Jehoash of Israel, instructing him first to shoot an arrow out of the window as symbolic of the "Lord's arrow of victory over Aram". Next, Elisha instructed the king to hit the ground with the bundle of arrows in victory. Alvin then prophesied over Ezequiel and Veronica as bearers of the vision for the Bible School. Then bending over he picked up four rocks as symbolic of this prophetic word. He then instructed Ezequiel to throw one rock to the far edges of the property line to the north, south, east and west as a visual sign of the purposes of God for the soon-to-be birthed Bible School. He prophesied that this school will be a center of training for pastors who will be able to go out into the villages of the Huasteca and across the nation of Mexico planting churches and establishing the Kingdom of God as we prepare for his imminent return.

Today, about one year later, there is a brand new 110 capacity tent on the site which will house the beginnings of this Bible School and church at La Pimienta. Since we felt that it was not wise to wait until we could build a building for the Bible School and church, we decided to begin this way. Then, with the Bible School in progress we can have the luxury of time to complete a more permanent structure.

In February, the Lord willing, the doors will open on this tent to begin the Bible School. It will also become a base for the church which meets at La Pimienta. We look forward with anticipation to see where and how God leads in this work. It is planned that the school will offer pastoral courses through Project L.A.M.B.S., and that there will be accreditation through Providence College in Manitoba.

Further, I am excited to tell you that on the 11th of January Alexis Castro, a Nicaraguan-born Canadian citizen from Kitchener, Ontario left Canada to begin working as a missionary in Cd. Valles with Ezequiel and Veronica. He will be involved in teaching, church planting, translation work, liaising between the Mexican work and U.S. and Canadian churches, and much more. Alex has committed himself to at least a year in Cd. Valles, and it is with anticipation that we watch to see where God leads him in this work. Please remember to hold him up in your prayers as he moves away from all that he knows and begins a new phase of ministry in Mexico.

I am also excited to see Voice in the Wilderness Ministries working more and more closely with Newsong Church of Grove, Oklahoma in our ministry in Mexico. We hope to be able to link with other churches as well who desire to minister and plant churches in Mexico, and by joining forces to be able to accomplish much more than an individual effort alone could do.

Also, please remember Theresa and me as we labour here in the conference and retreat center in Pinawa, Manitoba. We are able to minister to many people as they pass through our doors. Sometimes the act of being a servant is not glamorous or showy, but we are able to bless many brothers and sisters as we “wash their feet” in practical ministry. Most of our clients are church groups and other Christian groups. Perhaps though, the hardest part of the work here is that we cannot be in Mexico where our heart and love remain.

We covet your continued prayers and beg you to remain faithful in this work. May God bless you richly.

Your missionary,

Steven Frey