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January 2020 Report – January 26, 2020

Beach Street - CHURCH OF CHRIST

Esteemed brethren:

January 2020 is almost gone but I want to write and deliver January's report to you before I start my trip down to **Costa Rica** on January 29th.

- In December we had two deaths on both sides of our family. *Irma Aguirre*, one of my younger sisters, passed away in Austin, Texas, the week I was in Mexico City. After returning home we drove down to Sinton (our hometown) for her funeral and burial. I spoke at her Wednesday night wake, at her funeral service and at her graveside service. The morning of December 25th the mother of one of Minnie's brother-in-law passed away here in Houston at the age of 101. Mrs. *Esperanza Herrera* was a close friend of our family.

- Our auditorium Bible class at *Fry Road* for the first quarter is on 1 Thessalonians. I started teaching the class that is scheduled to end the last Sunday in March. *David Flatt*, our new evangelist at Fry Road, is my substitute. The 2nd week of January we had an excellent meeting on "Marriage & the Home" with *David Lanius*.

Costa Rica – January 29th – February 5th

Although I have traveled numerous times to work among the saints in Costa Rica, it is always a joy to work with them. *Santiago Soto* works with the saints at *Alajuela*, while his younger brother, *Marvin Soto*, works fulltime with the saints in *Alajuelita*, a suburb of San José. Both men are well versed in the Scriptures and capable gospel preachers. Their private and public lives speak volumes of their faith and devotion to their work. The church in Alajuela is the oldest of the sound churches in Costa Rica.

Brownsville, Texas – February 10th – February 14th

A few days after returning from Costa Rica I will be holding a gospel meeting (Monday thru Friday night) for the Spanish-speaking church on *Central Street* in **Brownsville**. Vicente Ramírez (83 years old) started this congregation a good number of years ago and is probably the largest in number among the Spanish-speaking churches in the United States. I first met Vicente when I was 14 years old, some 60 years ago. At that time both Vicente and I were young men focused on becoming gospel preachers.

Dominican Republic – February 24th – March 3rd

The last week of February I will be traveling to the **Dominican Republic**. I have received invitations from several families that live in the northern part of the country. Some years ago, I visited and preached in *Santiago* and *Puerto Plata* with brethren who had cast their lots with the institutional movement in the Dominican Republic. Apparently, some of these families are seeking to know from a biblical view the issues that divide us.

Finally, I am grateful to God and to you for the fellowship we have in our evangelistic work and your commitment to continue this participation in the New Year 2020. I ask that you remember us and the work I am doing in your private and public prayers. To those who keep an eye on my work, person and health – tomorrow I will slowly and carefully slide into my 74th year of life. Preaching the gospel of Christ full-time for some 54 years – and looking forward to many more years of service in the Lord's Kingdom.

In Him,
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