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Beach Street CHURCH OF CHRIST Ft. Worth, TX

To the elders and saints at Beach Street:

Dear brethren,

It is my pleasure informing you, by way of this report, of the work I did in the month of February traveling to and preaching in the historical city of *Guadalajara*, *Jalisco*, *Mexico*. The last time I preached in Guadalajara was over 30 years ago. I kidded with the *Gómez Farías* congregation that I appreciated them giving me all these years to prepare new sermons. Back then, the local church was the only local church in Guadalajara. Today there are a total of eight local churches, nearly all started by former members of the Gómez Farías congregation. As I have reported in the past, the Lord's work in all of Mexico continues to grow despite the country suffering at the hands of lawless people and the enormous influence and power of the Catholic Church.

Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico - February 19-24



Monday through Friday at 6pm I taught my lessons on "PREPARÁNDONOS PARA SERVIR" (English: "Preparing Ourselves to Serve"). The first three lessons deal with the workings of the local church, mainly order and decency in our worship. The last two lessons deal with teaching the books of the New Testament according to each book's context. I used Paul's epistle to the Philippians as an example of how best to teach the epistle. These lessons were well received by those who attended. Please notice the two pictures of the booklets I prepared, used in our classes, and left with the church for their further studies.



Attendance Sunday morning through Friday night was very good. Several new visitors and brethren from area congregations attended throughout the week. The local membership faithfully supported the meeting. Sixty-two was the average attendance during the meeting. Following are the English titles of the sermons I preached in Spanish:

- Apostolic Authority
- Called To Sanctification
- Participant Or Spectator
- I Know Your Works

- o Understanding The Word of God
- o The Just Lot
- o From The Best to The Worse?
- o The Message of Condemnation

Brother *Samuel Ybarra* is one of several men that serves the church in their preaching program. Since I can remember, the church has always encouraged all of the men to prepare themselves to preach. However, Samuel has been serving the church as their local preacher for a good number of years. He was a big help accompanying me during the week to lunch appointments and to the meeting place. The pictures below show those in attendance at Sunday morning's assembly.





On Friday night, at the end of the assembly, the church agreed unanimously to send you their warm salutations and appreciation for making possible my work. Several times they remembered you in their public prayers. They welcome your prayers on their behalf.

Mathis, Texas - March 17-19, 2023

The Lord's church in *Mathis* has invited me to hold them a weekend meeting. Mathis is very close to home – *Sinton, Texas*. Some 60 years ago, my father moved the Amador family from Sinton to Mathis to help the small Spanish-speaking congregation in Mathis. I have preached with this good congregation many times in the past and look forward to seeing and working with them. My friend, *René García*, is the local preacher. Please remember this effort in your prayers.

Teoloyucán & Tacuba, Mexico City - March 22-30, 2023

I will be returning to *Mexico City* preaching for the new congregation in *Teoloyucán* where *Juan Escobar* is the local preacher. I will preach four days with them. Then Sunday afternoon I will go from *Teoloyucán* to *Tacuba* and preach with the older congregation for another four days. *Daniel Martinez* is the local preacher. *Iván Palomino* (Miami, Florida) will be my partner once again.

In Conclusion

Deeply appreciate our fellowship that allows my fulltime commitment to preaching Christ wherever there is an open door. Appreciate your prayers for Minnie as she continues with her medical treatments.

In the love of Christ, Ruben C. Amador