



Greetings Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Let us share what is happening in Mérida, Mexico.

For a long time, it has been our dream to plant a church in Mérida that would provide people with a clear understanding of the Bible from a mid-Acts dispensational perspective. That dream is now becoming a reality. We began by meeting people and talking with them about God's grace for our lives. And then, about a year ago, we started meeting with a group of people in our house. Over time, as we met with them we could see the hunger they had to know more about God.

As this group grew and gradually became a church, we realized we needed a larger space where our congregation could meet. We prayed asking God to provide more space in a central location where we could meet with our new friends. The Lord answered our prayers, and with tears of joy on our faces we opened the doors of the new church building the Lord provided for us on April 23rd of this year. This new gathering place for our church also does double duty as our home. We call it Comunidad which means Community in Spanish. We are so blessed to be a church that teaches the grace of God in Mérida, Mexico.

COMMUNITY, WHO ARE WE?

We started this church with the purpose of providing a place for people to gather who desire to know more about God and His grace. We are a family of people of different nationalities, who have come to know God through a personal relationship with His Son Jesus Christ (Galatians 4:9). As a church, we emphasize the Bible as essential for knowing God and understanding how to conduct ourselves in our daily lives.

It has been wonderful to watch as God opens the hearts and minds of people to understand God's grace and love for the first time. For example, our sister Lilia and her family are learning to see God's grace in their lives. Throughout her entire life, Lilia had been taught that works were necessary to achieve salvation. Now, she knows that because she received the gift of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ, she has a relationship with her loving Heavenly Father. This is radically different from what she had been taught her entire life prior to becoming part of our community.

WHO ARE WE?

VISION STATEMENT

Disciples who transform their generation.

MISSION STATEMENT

Recognize, live, and share God and His grace.



- ▲ Community Church
- ▼ Girls Bible Study



Mérida is a place where there are many Christians, but many lack a deeper knowledge of what it looks like to have a relationship with God and salvation through faith alone in Jesus Christ. This brings a heavy weight to our hearts and we feel a great responsibility to provide opportunities for believers to grow deeper in their relationship with the Lord through the study of His Word. For this reason, we offer one-on-one discipleship throughout the week, group Bible study every Friday, and services on Sunday where we preach the Gospel. Our goal in all of these settings is to present the gospel in a clear and concise manner so the participants can understand and respond to the Word of God.

We praise God that those who have joined our community have been very consistent in their attendance and desire to study the Bible together. It is very rare that someone is absent.

God has blessed and surprised us by bringing a man named Yolaine, who is from Cuba, and his wife Naomi, who is from Mexico into our lives. They are planting a church in a town called Tobulón and have asked for our help. We praise God that they want to learn more of what we teach about God and His grace.

We continue meeting with a group of youth leaders from the Calvary Centro Church in Mérida where we served a year ago. We are so happy to continue investing in these friends as we study the Bible together and help them understand God's grace from a mid-Acts dispensational viewpoint.

As you read this letter, we would like to encourage you to take a few minutes to pray for us. We are so grateful to God for each brother and sister in Christ who walks with us and prays for us. We also want to update you on the needs of our Community Church. Now that we have opened the doors of the church we are facing a few challenges as a result of the growth we have experienced (which is a good thing). We are lacking in basic equipment, such as tables, chairs, a whiteboard, and a TV monitor, that are necessary for our ministry to function. We ask that you join us in praying that the Lord will provide these essential items so we can properly accommodate the people who attend our Friday evening Bible study and Sunday worship services.

We invite you to visit the **Grace Ministries International** website at gracem.org. You can learn more about our ministry by clicking on [GMI's Global Team](#) and selecting our page from the drop-down menu. You can also click on the **Projects link** and search for [Mexico Church Equipment](#) to provide a gift for the equipment needed to furnish our church.

We are very grateful for the time you took to read this letter, for your prayers, and for your partnership with us in ministry. Please continue to pray with us as we continue together in the work of the ministry here in Mérida. We are very excited to be a part of what God is doing in Mexico and hope you will join us in spreading the message of God's grace in Mexico!

With love and In Christ,

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PLEASE PRAY WITH US

- Continued growth of Community Church
- Friday Bible Study
- Relationships with youth
- Relationship with Yolaine & Naomi
- God's provision for Church Equipment



▲ Friday Bible Study

▼ Youth at Community Church



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