

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ! We rejoice in Christ for your partnership in reaching out to the saints and the lost in the US and Mexico! Resting safe and secure in Christ's love, we are honored and blessed to have been entrusted with the awesome title of ambassadors for Christ. As such, we preach the message of reconciliation to a lost and dying world and give witness to Christ's immense love.

2 Corinthians 5:18-20 (KJV)

And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

Our mission goal is to help fortify the foundations of the GMI-affiliated church in Merida, Mexico so it will be firmly established through a variety of efforts including:

- Training men to be spiritual leaders in the church who will continue to equip others
- Impacting families through Biblically-based marital counseling, seminars, and parenting courses
- Working with the Cotos in planting a second church in another area of Merida
- Starting a ministry oriented to reaching the English-speaking community

When we wrote our first prayer letter six months ago, we knew we had a challenge ahead of us in sharing our desire to serve the Lord in Mexico. We knew we would encounter opposition from the enemy, as well as many other challenges and opportunities that God would use to mold our character and trust in Him! But the specifics were all unknown at that point.

Since then, the Lord has indeed led us through many challenges and showed us in practical ways what it means to trust in Him. We are extremely grateful for everything we have been through because God has faithfully cared for us in both the pleasant and the difficult experiences of the past six months. Day by day, we have faced challenges, uncertainties, and even apprehension, but God has continually led us through them with His loving guidance. As we began visiting churches, we experienced homesickness even though we were busy preparing for our travels out West. While we visited churches in the Northwest United States and experienced "joyful fatigue", we worried about visiting the churches in the Southwest, and so on it continued. It is so hard to navigate the unknown. But through it all, God has provided us with servant brothers and sisters who came alongside us and ministered to our needs. You have kindly shared your lives, skills, and unconditional love with us, which we deeply appreciate! It is wonderful to experience the Body of Christ at work!



Kevin speaking to the youth at the "Ranch" in Alabama.



Kevin teaching during the Men's Bible Study at Berean Bible Church, Shoreline



Homeschooling on the road is challenging, but crafts and story time at the library is always fun. Please keep praying for the kids' school year.

One important aspect of our deputation that became apparent to us is the need for missionaries to have a support team of individuals like you who pray for us and encourage us when we become discouraged. Your partnership assures us that we are not alone, no matter how big or small the financial commitment. We are excited about what God has in store for us in Mexico and are delighted that you have joined us in this vital role of praying for our family and ministry! If you have not yet joined our "Craesmeyers in Mexico" Facebook page, we encourage you to do so. This will enable you to more actively participate in our ministry and stay informed of our current prayer requests. We also encourage you to share your prayer requests with us so we can pray more intentionally for you!

We are very thankful that the Lord allowed us to connect with our GMI teammates Luis and Marcia Coto, whom we will be serving alongside in Mexico, while we were together in missions conferences in the Pacific Northwest. They are a great source of encouragement to our family and we are excited to work with missionaries who have the same vision and desire to train believers in their walk with Christ. We are excited to have "Costa Rican Grandparents" and partners in ministry eagerly waiting for our arrival in Merida, Mexico!

As we embark on this adventure of faith we ask you to partner with us through prayer in the following areas:

- · For strength and good cheer as we finish our time of deputation in the US
- \cdot We raise the needed support to depart for Mexico in May
- For opportunities to share our Lord Jesus Christ with people in the US and Mexico
- Our children will trust the gospel and grow strong in their faith.

As we close our letter, we invite you to come and visit us in Mexico. Many of you have told us of your desire to visit, and when we are settled there we encourage you to come and see what the Lord is doing! We are also excited about and ask that you pray for teams from three US churches visiting the Merida ministry to help with projects in 2025.

May the Lord bless and keep you, as we continue to grow together in Christ!

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Our family after arriving safely in Michigan. Thank you for praying for our travels!



The month of October was a very special month, where we had a great time with dear missionary friends!



A Tiny little church in New Mexico filled with people with big hearts, that blessed us tremendously. Here Kevin ioined the men's choir for some special music.

