



April – June 2019

Home Church Faith Baptist Church Bath, SC 29816

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus,

My oldest and last living sister of 91yrs passed away and Barb and I went to her memorial. It was a solemn occasion. While there, we were able to visit with family and friends. We are thankful we could be there and thankful for the time we had to fellowship and came back more encouraged to serve the Lord.

The Lord continues blessing His Word and work here. We've had more professions of faith and a couple re-dedications of lives to the Lord Jesus. We're still cautious on our nighttime traveling. I can only respond to conditions where we are and the violence and dangerous conditions have NOT improved since the new MX administration has been in office. Pray for us when the Lord brings us into your thoughts.

We're having more and more people in dire need. At present, there are more people than there are jobs available and that formula contributes toward a bad situation. The majority of work that is available in our location is picking fruit and only so many people can be employed picking fruit. Fruit pickers make an average of \$16.00 per day. Groceries, gasoline, utilities along with everything else are more expensive in MX than the USA. We do as Mark 16:15 commands, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" and we also continually see and hear the physical needs of the people we work among. I John 3:17 – "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" After all our years of serving the Lord in MX, my heart breaks for the people God has allowed us to labor among. Pray that we will never grow cold and indifferent to the lost, or to their needs, or to the sufferings of those around us. Romans 12:20-21 - "Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." The value of a man's soul? Every drop of Jesus' shed blood!

Again, I ask for your continued prayer on behalf of Simon's daughter (Timothy's granddaughter – our great granddaughter) getting her BABC (born abroad birth certificate). Our oldest son's (Tony) foot has not improved but has deteriorated a little and still having difficulty getting the infection under control.

Thank you so much for praying for the Lord's work here in Mexico and for our safety. Pray that more people will accept the Lord Jesus as Saviour and Lord. Thank you also for your faithful prayer and financial support because without it, we could not continue serving the Lord Jesus Christ here in Mexico.

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In His Service, John & Barbara Strang

Revelations 4:11 - "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."