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Dear Beloved Pastors, Friends, and Faithful Churches of the Lord:

Greetings to you in the precious name of our faithful Jehovah God who freely gave us His Son, and in Him, all things that we could ever need. It is a joy to be able to write and share what the Lord is doing for us and what we, by His grace, are doing for Him.

Bible Conference In Oaxaca. Because of the political upheaval and complete chaos in the City of Oaxaca during the years 2006 and 2007, we were not able to have our Bible conferences. This was very disappointing, especially since we were looking forward to having Elders Dan Gordon and Lee Hammel come and preach for us. However, in September of 2008 and 2009, we have enjoyed much blessing from the Lord. This year, our attendance was up 50 percent from last year. The Bible truths we have preached and distributed in our literature since 2002 are having their effect in the lives of others by the mercies of our great God. Two former, grossly Arminian pastors, to whom we gave literature in 2003, are embracing salvation by **SOVEREIGN GRACE** and are preaching **GRACE** truth in their churches. Hallelujah! They have not been completely exiled by their former circle of fellowship, but we expect them to go through a time of crisis, just as we did in 2001, when they make their full public stand. We will stand with them and all who love God's Truth. Most importantly, God will stand with them and honor them as they honor Him!

Brother Narciso Martinez Visits Us In Oaxaca From Chetumal, Quintana Roo. It was a privilege to have Brother Narciso, his father, Pablo, and Jose Luis, another man from Chetumal, in our home after the Bible conference. We spent virtually the whole week travelling and preaching in the mountains. Narciso preached ten times and I preached twice. *"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth"* (Isaiah 52:7)!

Various Translation and Literature Projects Coming To A Completion. We are excited about several projects that we are presently involved in. One in particular is the translation and printing of *"An Alarm To The Uncoverted"* by the Puritan Joseph Alleine. This is the unequivocally best work on true conversion that I have ever seen or read. It was a most shocking book to me in my twenties and caused me to examine myself and make sure of my relationship with God. The book is completely translated, and we are presently in the correction stage, hoping to have it ready to go the printer by the end of the year, the Lord-willing. We are going to need several churches to sponsor the printing of this book which we hope to give good circulation, not only in Mexico, but throughout all of Central and South America, and wherever Spanish speaking people are found. Will you pray with us about this?

We Thank You For Your Prayers And Many Emails Concerning Joanna Esther's Health. Joanna Esther has been through a numerous amount of testing to try to determine the cause of her lethargy which seems to be the result of a breathing problem and unsound sleep. She has seen several doctors. She has several problems that are serious by themselves, but when compounded, they cause great discomfort. She has a deviated nasal septum, sinusitis, and severe allergy problems. We are presently treating her with several antibiotics to get the problem under control, after which we hope to find some natural remedies to treat her. Please continue to pray for her and that the Lord would give us wisdom in the coming days.

The Craft Family Will Be In Texas and Oklahoma In November. The Lord-willing, we will be making the 1000 mile one way trip to Texas this week. My father and stepmother will be driving from Pennsylvania to spend a week with their grandchildren (and us, of course!) on a Texas ranch. We have need of numerous printing supplies and other family needs (especially clothing for my ever-growing children). Please remember us in earnest prayer. Thank you for your faithful giving during these months of national crisis. We pray that the Lord will richly bless you and sustain you as only He can.

Yours for God's glory and His elect where Christ is not named,



"Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named." Romans 15:20