

THE DANIEL COATES FAMILY MISSIONARIES TO GUATEMALA



Fall 2015

Dear Praying Friends,

Fall has been a blessed and very challenging time for us. We continue to trust in the Lord, and serve Him faithfully! We are thankful for all of you who pray for us and what we might be going through, though time passes before you get all the details. Many of you have found us on Facebook, and we are glad to keep in contact there, in between letters.

Robbery at the Church Building

In spite of the ten foot walls around the church grounds and building we rent, we have had a rash of break-ins during these months before the holidays. We are thankful that only minor items were stolen the first time: older electronics and tools from my office, and some kitchen appliances. The last time they entered was the one night we left the church van on the property, and they stole the battery and radio out of it. The knowledge that someone could break into the building overnight has been a constant burden, and I've even spent the night up there a few times. We finally got the landlord to secure the bars on the windows, and we now remove all sound equipment and other items of value before we leave after each service, just in case. Please pray that the break-ins will stop, and for the soul of the person(s) doing it, and that the landlord will work with us about making the grounds more secure.

Coming and Going

A man in our congregation decided to leave us, and make a dramatic scene while he was at it. He talked to a few others and caused a few families to drop out as well. We continue to love him and pray for him, as we work to get some of those scattered sheep back into the fold. All the while, the Lord has sent us several new visitors as well as some old members who had been stateside, now returning to join us again. **Vacation Bible School** was a wonderful success! Several souls made professions of faith, and we are discipling some of them now, and reaching out to the families of some of the new kids who came. We trust the Lord to add to His church such as He sees fit. It is a privilege to serve Him and His people!

The Coastal Mission

Our mission work in Zapotitlan is stronger and more exciting than ever! Bro. Elvis, while a young preacher, is proving to be a true and faithful servant of the Lord. His home church is getting more and more involved in the mission work, and we continue to support him financially and take a group down there once a month to preach and win souls. A few weeks ago I invited Brandon and his little daughter to the services, and he heard the gospel and trusted Christ as his Saviour! Since then his wife Ceila got saved, and they both have been baptized into the work there. Praise the Lord! Please remember this couple and the mission in your prayers. Thank you for your continued prayers and support as we strive to serve our Lord in Guatemala until His return!

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