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# Update from Baja

When asked, "how do I see God working here at the Mission?", that is a difficult question to answer. I could talk about how our elementary school is becoming a trauma sensitive school, educating the children we care for, while helping them learn through their trauma.

Or I could talk about the Daycare in San Quintin, where over 120 children are safe, fed, and most importantly, learn about the love of Jesus.

There is also the soccer field that is in the development stage, where youth will have the opportunity to play, be discipled, and family friendly events will encourage our community with healthy living and exposure to the Gospel. I could share my excitement for our new house, where men leaving rehab, or men being deported will have the opportunity to learn how to live a sober life, while being discipled.

And of course, I could talk about all the ways God is working in our children's home, whether it be thru the amazing houseparents who daily give all to the children we are raising or the support staff who make it a priority to invest in the children under our care, showing them what it means to be in relationship with Jesus.

I see God working everywhere I look here at the Mission. I am amazed and humbled to be a part of this ministry.

**Sara Petersen** *Baja Administrator* 

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This winter the TJ House celebrated a miracle! Esmeralda Galicia Javier graduated first in her class from nursing school at the Autonomous University of Baja California! Esmeralda shares the following:

Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. - Isaiah 43:19

Coming to the TJ House was a promise God gave me after walking through a desert, and seeing my possibilities of going to university in Puebla and Oaxaca be closed to me. God was faithful and opened a door for me through Foundation for His Ministry. I am so thankful for each person that represents this organization, and the way He used you to show me his love and grace.

Through the last four years, I have experienced the love of Jesus through staff at the TJ House and donors I have never met, but who gave faithful for me to have this oportunity. I am so very thankful, and I am proud to say, I did my best! Thank you so much.

This milestone is especially sweet, when we consider Esme's father was in the second generation of Bible Institute graduates and has pastored a church in Oaxaca ever since. Pastor Tomas and his wife, Remedios, were able to come and bear witness to their daughter's accomplishment! The presence of God is overwhelming each time one of our students graduates from college! What a blessing it is to experience the faithfulness of God in this way.

#### Andrea Bolanos

TJ House Supervisor

## **Pastoral Conference**

Last November, Mario Cordoba and a small team put together a conference for pastors and missionaries living in the Mixteco region of the state of Oaxaca. Our dream is to continue expanding these conferences and hold them in each region of the state. There are still many who need to hear about Jesus in this area and we want to encourage and build up those doing the hard work.

## CONFERENCES FOR PASTORS IN THE MIXTECO REGION OF OAXACA:

Juxtlahuaca is a town that is in the heart of the Mixteco region. It is there that the Mixtecos and the Triquis meet. This region is not an easy place for evangelism. The pastors in these communities battle a lot to preach the word because of the resistance they run into, but also because of the little amount of training they have. Some of them are pastoring, but they don't believe they are a pastor because no one has sent them or ordained them. However they continue doing the work with the little they have.

That is why these conferences are a great blessing. Also, many of them aren't able to travel to the city or other farther places to receive training which is why these conferences are such a blessing to them. The work of organizing all of the logistics of these conferences was in the hands of Yadira Porras and Maria Villa Pablo. They coordinated and formed teams that were serving the whole time. Everyone worked on a team and there were volunteers from the Oaxaca Mission as well as the local church. This year our theme was "taking care of yourself, the family, and the role of the wife in the family and in the ministry."

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Lidia Flores: She supports her pastor Brother Pedro Cirilo in San Pedro Chayuco. She preaches, works with the youth, does visitation, etc. She was very blessed by these conferences.



Tomas and Remedios Galicia serve as co-pastors in Santa Rosa, Juxtlahuaca

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## **Pastoral** Conference continued

On Saturday at the end of the conferences we had a time of ministry with communion and the washing of feet (the pastors washed the feet of their wives and the wives of their husband).

It was a very special time when we could sense the presence of God in a strong way. And then we finished by sharing a meal together.

During this time we had a bunch of new pastors. They are all doing the work of preaching and caring for their congregations. We recognized them all as pastors there in their communities and all of them were very blessed.

We had a group of graduates from the Bible Institute in Baja and it was so nice to see them. They were all from different generations who are actively serving. We were able to see fruit after so many years.



Brother Pedro Cirilo *is from the first* generation of the Bible Institute. He continues to serve as the Pastor in San Pedro Chayuco. Modesto and his family are in the mountains of Amoltepec. For them it has not been easy, but in all of the difficult situations they continue to be faithful to the call they have received from God.





Ernesto and Imelda and their son David serve in the mountains of San Felipe Tindaco as pastors.

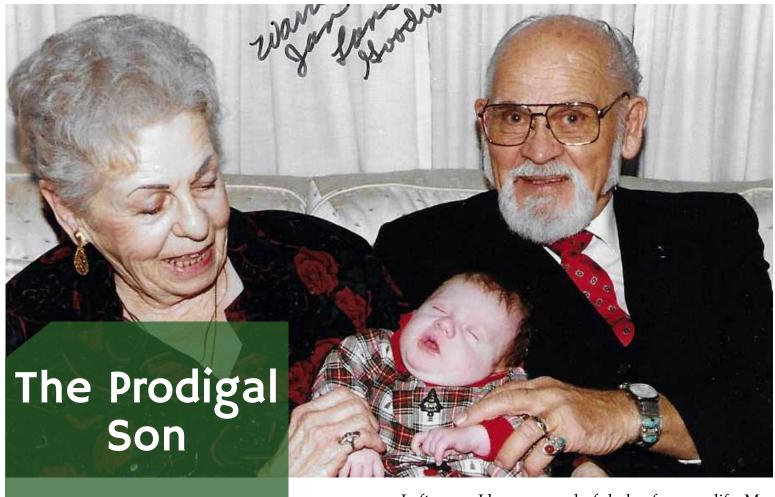
One example is Pedro Cirilo who was from the first class of graduates, and he continues pastoring his church in San Pedro Chayuco. Another is Modesto, who despite the fact that he is almost blind continues preaching in the mountains of Amoltepec.

There is also Ernesto who went from the streets of Tijuana to the Rancho and from there went to the Bible Institute and onto serve in Oaxaca as a pastor in the mountains. He is now established with a wife and son raising up a church in the town where alcoholism is so common.

God uses these regional conferences to bless, affirm, and build up His church in Oaxaca.

Mario Cordoba Baja Mission Pastor





My brother Warren had been estranged from the family for years. My mother had a Christmas gift under the tree for him every year. On Mothers' Day she stayed home hoping against hope he would call.

We needed a huge tank as part of our water pressure system. Dave Anderson, God's scrounger, found one, but we needed a big truck to transport it to the Baja Mission. Chuck Pereau's pick up wouldn't do. We prayed and prayed. A few days later a twenty-foot van drove up to our house, exactly what was needed, and my brother, Warren got out of the truck! He was welcomed with tears of joy, much like the prodigal son had been.

I called my mother and she said, "I knew someday he'd come home." I replied, "And he's driving a big truck perfect for hauling the tank to the Mission." "I have a wonderful plan for your truck."

I often say I have a wonderful plan for your life. My brother used an expletive and said his truck will not be making any trip to Mexico. I told him about the huge tank. He took the bait.

The cylinder tank was loaded at 4 a.m. Chuck would have to go along and show him the way from North Hollywood, CA. and a 17- or 18-hour trip laid before them, depending on the then-unpaved road conditions.

Chuck had a new book with him, The Cross and The Switchblade, but he gets car sick if he doesn't watch the road. He would take the chance and read the book to Warren. As he reached the last page, the truck pulled up in front of the Baja Mission. Warren was weeping uncontrollably. Chuck directed him to the chapel; the prodigal had come home.

P.S. The Cross and The Switchblade has transformed many lives.

### **Charla Pereau** *Founding Director*

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Over 250,000 workers come from all over the country of Mexico every year to work in the agricultural fields of Sinaloa. Our outreach team there has dreams of expanding the work being done in the migrant camps with these workers. In order to do so we have been constructing dorms on our property that can house visitors and additional staff.

We still need \$15,000 to complete this project. If you are interested in being a part of this project you can donate at: https://www.ffhm.org/support-financially