



The Partridges

# Reaching Out to the People in Mexico With the Love of the Father



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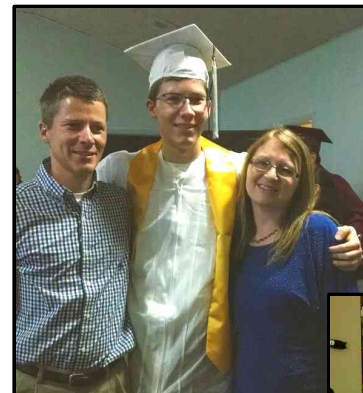
I pray that this letter finds that all is well with you and your family. The Lord has been good to us and I have to say, "that all is well with our family." As I write this, I am reminded of the hymn, It is Well With My Soul. If you have never heard the story behind this beautiful hymn; you should take the time to see what the writer was encountering in his life prior to writing this hymn. It is amazing that he could write a hymn with such words as these:

*"When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well, with my soul. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control, That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul. It is well, with my soul, It is well, with my soul, It is well, it is well, with my soul."*

No matter what situations may surround, you take a moment, go to the computer and find this hymn. Listen to it and let it flood your soul and refresh your spirit. I pray that you too will be able to say that it is well with my soul.

## Joseph's Graduation

The few weeks leading up to Joseph's graduation were somewhat tiring and stressful for Joseph. He had a lot of work to accomplish in a short time. Since he had enrolled into the school late after the school year had begun, he started out a little behind. On top of that he was taking some extra electives this year. Hard work sure pays off! After 11 years of homeschool and his final year in a Christian school, Joseph not only graduated with honors, but also was the valedictorian. Then to top it off, he received the Pastor's award that showed his true devotion to God and his sincere walk with the Lord. WOW! It is amazing what true commitment, hard work and study can do for someone! This reminds me of the scripture in 2 Timothy 2:15 (Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that does need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth). As you can see, we are overwhelmingly proud of our son!



Joseph was valedictorian and honors graduate.

Joseph with his girlfriend Betsy at Church



Joseph very happy because he just spent the graduation money on a nice laptop. Thank you to those who gave towards his laptop.

## GMTC (Gospel Ministries to Children)

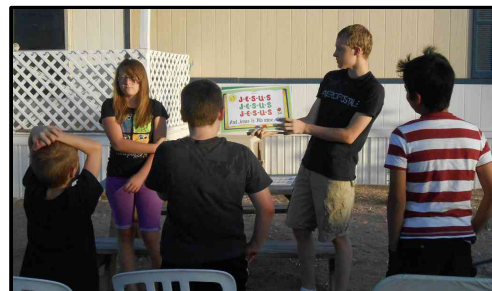
Our oldest sons, Joseph and Samuel are presently working with a 4 week summer missions program called GMTC (Gospel Ministries to Children). They completed a full week of intensive training. Then they were separated and paired up with another person (missionary is what they are called) and sent out to different areas of El Paso, TX and Las Cruces, NM. Each missionary team spends a whole day knocking on doors and inviting children in 4-5 different locations (apartment complexes or neighborhoods) to attend a Summer Bible Club.

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Then for the next 4 days, they have their Summer Bible Clubs with 4-5 each day in different locations. They teach Bible lessons, songs, and games and give out prizes. Then on top of this, the missionary teams go to live with a different family that has opened up their home as a host home. When they finish the week of Summer Bible Club, they move out of the host home and head to another host home in a different area. Then they start over with the inviting and their summer Bible clubs. They do this for 3 weeks in different areas. This is really a great ministry that is training young people to go out and preach the gospel and live as missionaries.

Our son, Samuel is currently doing one of these Summer Bible Clubs at our home this week for the children in our neighborhood. He had 14 kids the first day and now he is averaging around 9 kids each day. We are really surprised how Samuel connects with these kids. These kids love him! They can't wait to come the next day. Samuel is having such great success with them, that he asked them if they wanted to have an extra day of Summer Bible Club. They all shouted out "YES"! We are so happy to see God working through Samuel!



*Kari Grace assisted Samuel as he taught the Summer Bible Club at our house*



*My boys with children of Casa Hogar (children's home)*

### Quarterly Pastors and Leaders Training Seminar

We just had our first quarterly training seminar for Pastors and Leaders. It was awesome! There were 50 Pastors and Leaders from various denominations from all over Juarez that came. These quarterly training seminars consist of 3 training sessions packed into 1 day. We also cook them a nice big breakfast and lunch. We are able to offer this all for free, because of a Pastor from Louisiana. He wanted to be a part of what God was doing in Juarez. He and his family were missionaries in south Mexico for 20 years. He planted many churches. He now lives in Louisiana and has planted a few churches there. He has committed to come 4 times a year to Juarez to provide Pastoral training. He also will bring other pastor friends with him. He is paying for all of his travel expenses and is sending money for us to buy the food. This is AWESOME! Thank you Jesus for a vision that is coming to pass to have Pastors uniting together to accomplish God's will. AMEN!



*Pastors-Leaders being served breakfast*



*Pastors-Leaders worshiping together at training seminar*



*Pastor Nick of Louisiana teaching Pastors-Leaders at training seminar*

### Seeing God move through distractions and oppositions

When the spirit of God moves in power, the devil really gets ticked off. Often the devil will send distractions to interfere or even try to stop the move of God. It is always cool when it backfires and something great happens. I went to preach in a church that is about 30 minutes outside of Juarez. When my friend (translator) and I arrived to the check point just outside of Juarez, we were stopped and questioned. The officer asked where we were going. My friend responds to tell him that we were going to preach in a small church just 15 minutes away. The officer says that I cannot preach. I was just about to respond and say that I could not agree to that, when the officer told us to continue on. We went on to the church and ministered. During the service a drunken man comes in. He is a distraction the whole service, but praise God he responds to the message and comes forward to receive Jesus. I asked God to sober him so that he would not be controlled by the alcohol. Sure enough, God did sober him. He was crying and praying at the altar for quite some time.



When we were about to leave, he came to me and asked if we could give him a ride to Juarez and drop him off at a Christian rehab. We took him as he requested and left him at the rehab. The Pastor told us that he had never been to his church, but he would go to visit him in the rehab.

Then a few weeks later, I went to preach for an evangelistic crusade. The same thing happens; a drunken man comes into the service and becomes a distraction. That did not distract the presence of God. God continued to move and touch people and even the drunken man falls to his knees and cries out to God.



*The drunken man seeking the Lord*

Finally the next day, I preached and ministered in a small Assembly of God church. When I finished the message, I just simply said that the altars were open if anyone wanted to come up. The people immediately filled the altar and fell to their knees and began to weep and cry. God moved mightily on the people. What I didn't know was that during the service, someone broke into the Suburban and stole my battery. When I climbed into the Suburban immediately I knew that someone had been in it. I looked around to see if anything was missing. Nothing was gone, but when I tried to start the Suburban nothing happened. I opened the hood to find that the battery had been ripped out. The bad thing is that I did not have any money to buy another battery. Immediately the brothers of the church come out to help us. With suits and ties on they push me aside to work on the Suburban. One brother says, "Don't worry about it. The Pastor is going to buy a battery." I told him that I did not have the money to pay for it. He told me not to worry, but receive a blessing. The Pastor returns with a brand new battery and the brothers put the battery in. The devil was mad and tried to upset me, but God says I am going to give you a new battery to replace the old one. I was humbled and blessed in that moment. Our God is an awesome God! Through these oppositions and distractions, God moved and souls were saved and lives transformed. To God be the glory!



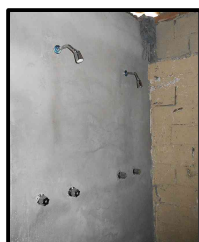
*Rehab were we took the drunken man*

## Prayer Requests

We just have a few prayer requests. First, we have the opportunity to buy the half acre that we are living on. The owner informed us that we should buy it. So, by him telling us this we are not sure if he will want to continue renting to us after the year lease is up. We are seeking the Lord for provision and the ability to purchase. Second, we have our first Youth Conference next month and we are expecting it to be huge. It is going to require extra finances to take care of the evangelists that are coming. Please believe with us that God will abundantly supply for every need in this Youth Conference. Also that God will pour out His Spirit in the services. Lastly, that God will continue to provide for our personal financial needs a family.

May God bless you and your family,  
Randall, Tina, Joseph, Samuel,  
Kari Grace, Jadon and Nathan

*My friend, Pastor Kelly with his 2 interns wearing their big head costumes and helping me with an evangelistic outreach*



*Uncompleted construction of bathroom for Casa Hogar . The government of Mexico threatened to close the children's home if an additional bathroom was not constructed. Approximate funds needed to complete is about \$400.*



*Young man on right lost his father when he was 9. His mom made tamales and he would sell them in the streets so they could survive. He invited us to his home to eat tamales and shared his story with us.*