

GOOD NEWS FROM A FAR COUNTRY

Dear Pastors and friends,

Since last year, Carolyn and I have been working with Pastor Luis Balam and his family on **Project 5-10**. I think it is fitting and will be very interesting to hear directly from Luis about what has been happening. So fasten your seatbelts and enjoy the ride!

My beloved brothers and fellow servants,

*It is a pleasure to inform you about the progress of **Project 5-10** in Tahdzibichen pueblo. Since last November, God has helped us in every moment. We have walked through almost all the village from house to house. It has been very rare when someone didn't want to listen to us, and many have received Christ as their personal Savior. Some of them are: Vanesa, German, Manuel, Adriana, Carolina, Irving, Clarisa, Rufina, Cristina, another Manuel, Jorge, Betty, Baltazar, Esteban, Veronica, and Cecilia. All the praise is for our Savior Jesus Christ. We continue to pray for them, and for others who have listened to the gospel and are still open to us.*

Irving is ready to be baptized, but he works in the city and rarely visits the village. So we saw the need to recommend a good church for him in Merida. The church property has been another issue to deal with. Our neighbors Miguel and Aurelio refuse to accept the property boundaries that are established in our deed. Please pray that God will touch their hearts and resolve the matter quickly so that we can build the bathroom and a room for children. Romans 12 says we should seek to have peace with others. For this reason we needed to rent two rooms (and a bathroom) in a house on the corner. We use those rooms for the children's class, to disciple new believers, and to rest between services.

*Please pray for those who are sick: Pedro lost his vision in one eye when he was cutting firewood, Susana, because of diabetes, has a heel that is finally healing, Betty needs an operation but doesn't have the necessary money, and Delia's baby was born more than three weeks ago but is still in a coma. I really need to work in the **pueblos** more time each week. May God bless you - - - Luis Balam*

P.S. I trust that God has encouraged you by the letter that I translated from Pastor Luis. Your prayers and special gifts for his personal financial support are greatly needed. All gifts sent to my account that are marked "Project 5-10" will be used for his personal support. Please pray also for a pastor for the work in Tahdzibichen pueblo.

Yours, for the villages,

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