

## A Step Forward in Faith



**“Share with God’s people  
who are in need.”**

**Romans 12:13**

September 24, 2002

### Needs we are trying to meet!

- ❖ 40 study Bibles Reino Valera 1960 to be used in Betania Lutheran Church in Rio Bravo
- ❖ A Lawn Mower to cut the weeds down at El Mesias (Messiah) mission in the colonia at Rio Bravo
- ❖ Calachie – rocky base to cover the ground around the new mission in the colonia. Land is low. They need fill so that the ground is not under water or muddy when it rains. It is estimated that they will need three semi-truck loads of fill at \$150 a load.
- ❖ Donations to help cover the \$400 needed to pay for windows in Pastor Isaac’s and Yolanda’s home.
- ❖ Wiring for Pastor Isaac’s and Yolanda’s house.
- ❖ Stucco for the inside of Pastor Isaac’s and Yolanda’s house
- ❖ Enclose the porch of the parsonage in Guasave to make it into a bedroom
- ❖ Purchase some furniture such as beds, table and chairs and some other things for the comfort of Pastor Reyes and his family.
- ❖ Providing \$200 to enable Deaconess Esther to minister to the children of Guasave
- ❖ Providing \$200 to assist Pastor Jose Reyes in his new ministry as pastor of El Divino Emanuel in Guasave
- ❖ Providing \$250 to assist Rev. Abiut Fajardo in his ministry as President of the Synod.
- ❖ Christmas gifts for: Rev. Samuel Perez of Mexico City; Rev. Juan Rosas of Mexicali; Rev. Filiberto Jimenez of San Luis Rio Colorado; Rev. Abiut Fajardo of Guadalajara; Rev. Alvaro López of Mexico City; Pastor Isaac Garcia of Rio Bravo; Rev. Jaziel Lopez of Mexico City; Pastor Jose Reyes of Guasave.
- ❖ Pray for men to step forward and shepherd the ministries in Monterrey, Matamoros, Tijuana, Juárez, and Chihuahua. Presently these churches are without a pastor.
- ❖ Provide the second year’s Sunday School materials to those congregations that want to use it.
- ❖ Provide Spanish Bibles for distribution at The Lutheran Mission , Alamo Food & Clothing Center
- ❖ Take some time off and go down and volunteer at the Alamo Food and Clothing Mission. Contact Art and Dolores Post 1420 Duranta Rd., Alamo, Texas 78516; Telephone 956-787-1081
- ❖ P.S. Good news. Rev. Bill Reagan of St. Paul Harlingen is conducting Spanish services at the Alamo Food and Clothing Mission every Sunday night at 6:00. An answer to their prayers!
- ❖ Provide scholarship for Magdiel Fajardo, son of Rev. Abiut Fajardo, to attend a college or University in the United States. He would like to study engineering and become a missionary. We think he would need around \$20,000 to attend one of our Concordia’ for one year. Maybe someone could let him have a room in their home and he could go to a local community or Junior College.
- ❖ Winter is coming on, most of the homes don’t have heat. Maybe we could provide blankets or money to purchase blankets.
- ❖ Soap
- ❖ Any undesignated funds that we receive go to the Lutheran Synod of Mexico to be used to assist congregations and the work of the Synod.
- ❖ Partnering might consist of praying for the partner congregation and its pastor. It might mean contacting them by phone, mail, or email. Find out what their goals are. Help them to reach their goals. Go and visit them. Invite them to come up here and visit you. Enlist their aid in conducting outreach through VBS or some other means to the Hispanics in your community.
- ❖ Consider partnering with one of the 5 congregations that do not have a partner church here in the United States. There are three congregations in Mexico City, 1 in Mexicali, and 1 in Guadalajara.
- ❖ If you want a real challenge how about partnering with one of those five congregations that do not have a pastor.
- ❖ Our Savior in McKinney is partnering with Betania in Rio Bravo, Faith Lutheran in Hot Springs Village is partnering with San Mateo in San Luis Rio Colorado, and Christ the King in Waxahachie is partnering with El Divino Emanuel in Guasave. Trinity Weatherford’s LWML also supports the ministry at El Divino Emanuel in Guasave.
- ❖ Pray that prejudices would go away and that we would begin to see each other as God’s children working together to win lost souls for eternity.
- ❖ Pray for these people, pray for their needs, and if the Lord so moves you or your group to become a part of this, please contact me, Rev. Norman R. Finke, director of KIMA, 109 Noel, Waxahachie, Texas 75165 or by email at [pastor@christtheking.net](mailto:pastor@christtheking.net)
- ❖ If you really don’t want to receive these emails anymore simply notify me by return mail.