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Not Sure Where We Are Going! Dreams! Goals! Plans! Blessings!

Those words or phrases are what I think of when I look back over the past five years and remember a request from Pastor Isaac Garcia for some money to buy a piece of property in some place I had never heard of somewhere near Progreso, right on our southern border with Mexico. It progressed from an idea, inspired by God in Pastor Isaac's heart and head, to the

purchasing of a building, with much help from Bill Atwood, to worshipping in the building at the left, under the guidance of Samuel Garcia, who the people now call Pastor, to not having enough room to accommodate the ministry as it has evolved under God's leadership.

It seems like they have gone full circle. Now What? Dreams! Plans! A son, Gamaliel studying to be an architect! Real plans! And Blessings as four people ,



Bethel Lutheran Mission in Rio Rico, Tamaulipas, Mexico



Proposed expansion and addition of bathrooms and office

moved by the Holy Spirit, the our

gave of their God-given gifts to pay for all upcoming construction. Within the week of visit to this mission they were hard at work

pouring concrete pillars and floors, building cement block walls, and now waiting for the rain to stop before they can start on the next step. They will be taking off the old roof adding a couple layers of cement block, in order to elevate the ceiling and roof, and putting a new roof over the whole



This is the wall that will be moved to the left to give more room in the sanctuary.

building. The people in the community of Rio Rico are excited about what they see happening.



The right side of the church is being widened and an office is being added to the front portion.

Here is the wall that will enable expansion of the church sanctuary and enclose an area for the church office. The office is needed because Samuel and his wife live in Rio Bravo which is about 30 to 40 minutes away. The two pictures are the same wall only as seen from opposite sides.



Back and side walls to the office area. The front wall will be where the cement blocks are being laid.

The Ultimate Goal!
The Ultimate Blessing!



**To Be One With God in
Eternity!**

¹¹⁻¹³ His “gifts to men” were varied. Some he made his messengers, some prophets, some preachers of the Gospel; to some he gave the power to guide and teach his people. His gifts were made that Christians might be properly equipped for their service, that the whole body might be built up until the time comes when, in the unity of the common faith and common knowledge of the Son of God, we arrive at real maturity—that measure of development which is meant by the “fullness of Christ”. (Ephesians 4:11-13 J.B. Phillips New Testament Translation)



Samuel, Alicia, Miguel, and the others are all working so hard to spread the Good News that God loves us all so much that He sent His Son Jesus Christ into this world to free us from the guilt of our sins. We can now be one with Him. We just need to find ways to make that message clear to those around us.

That's what Pastor Isaac Garcia, Samuel and his little flock are trying to do. They have the love of God down in their hearts; they have the

courage to speak up; but they are hampered by a lack of tools, (money, an altar for their church, a baptismal fount, a large cross on the wall to remind them of Christ's sacrifice).

Alicia, Lay-pastor Samuel's wife, asked me if we could help them do something special for the children of their church and community. They would like to give each of them a Christmas gift of a toy of some kind. There are about 20 children in the church and another 20 in the community that come occasionally. These are all children under thirteen years of age and there are about 25 girls and 15 boys.



So I am looking for people who will volunteer to help us get either enough money or, better yet, enough toys for these forty children.

What a joy it would be to make a trip before Christmas and present them with an altar to worship on, a cross to be reminded of God's sacrifice, and presents to remind the children of the ultimate gift that God has provided for them!



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Together, we can do even more to help strengthen communities and change lives.

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We can be contacted at KIMA, 109 Noel Ave., Waxahachie, TX 75165 or via phone through Rev. Norman Finke at 972-935-8017

Please, pray that the Lord would raise up people to support the ministry of KIMA. This is not just a mission for the people in Texas. I believe that the LORD gave His Great Commission to all who believe. Please, spread the word!

May God bless each of you, your families, and all the ministries with which you are involved.

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