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Do you know who that is sitting there at the computer? That's Lois Wolf and she is adding pictures to our website. (kimamission.org) She, at this moment, is putting some pictures on the website of the National Youth Congress held in Guadalajara.

The only sad part about working on the website is that you never know if anyone looks at it. If you get a chance to look at the website give Lois a



thumbs-up at loislwolf@gmail.com.



is a beautiful city. If you ever get the chance to go there -- do it!) There were

Speaking of the Youth Congress, here is a picture of the group. They met at Todos Santos Lutheran Church, Guadalajara. (Guadalajara





about 40 - 50 people all together. They had inspirational speakers, worship time each day under the leadership of one of the pastors from Mexico, tours of the city, devotions each night around a campfire, and many opportunities for prayer and fellowship.

Yolanda Guevara Jaramillo, Pastor Isaac's wife went along with the youth and she said that there were a lot of Spiritual blessings that came out of that gathering of the youth. There weren't 25,000 there but the forty or fifty that were there grew in their relationship with their Lord. Pastor Luis Moreno commented on how important it is to have these Youth Congresses so that the youth may receive and grow strong in the Lord.



We give special thanks to Tyler McMiller who serves as a GEO (globally engaged in outreach) missionary for the LCMS in Mexico. Tyler was the driving force behind planning, organizing, and carrying out this year's Youth Congress.



We helped in funding some of the money raising projects in Matamoros and Rio Bravo that the youth put on to finance their trip to the Youth Congress.



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Hey! I got some other exciting news this week. Thrivent just sent me a message that they were depositing \$681 in KIMA's bank account. During the month

of July some of you designated your Choice Dollars® to Koinoneo Independent Mission Agency. Those Choice Dollars® make it possible for us to prepare for the next round of VBS programs across the nation of Mexico.

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We spent almost \$3,000 on Vacation Bible School material that is being used at fourteen or fifteen different church or mission sites across Mexico. It's exciting to see these leaders use the material and how the children learn from the stories of Joseph, as he moves from Canaan to Egypt, how God never abandons us no matter how lost we feel. Throughout these stories the children learn of God's plan of forgiveness.



These three pictures are from the Sonoran Desert Missions (upper left) to Mexico City (center) to Rio Bravo (below).



Last Sunday, Pastor Andrew Schlund and his wife Kelsey began their ministry as LCMS career missionaries in Mexico. Pastor Schlund began his first official Sunday as Pastor of El Buen Pastor after a vacancy that began last October. He will be installed later this month. Praise the Lord! Besides his parish responsibilities, Pastor Schlund is in Mexico City to be a professor of theology, helping the SLM with their scarcity of Pastors. Keep his ministry in your prayers.



Veracruz -- An Evangelism outreach! I don't know that the Apostle Paul knew ahead of time who was going to be touched by his Gospel presentation. He just was certain that when God called him to be an apostle to the Gentiles, he was called to go!

I don't think you or I know where the Gospel is to be preached next in Mexico. I only know that there are millions who need to hear the Good News of what God has done for them through His Son, Jesus Christ. That being the case, I don't think we have time to sit around and think about it or debate it. "Go ye and make disciples" says it pretty plainly.



Pastor Isaac is planning to make a trip later this year to Veracruz. He feels that the Lord is calling him to share the Salvation story with the people down there, regardless of their background.

We can't all go along, and maybe don't even want to, but God is calling. I ask for your prayers for Pastor Isaac and all those who make this trip with him, that they would be safe, that the Lord would surround them with His guardian angels, and that the Holy

Spirit would open the hearts of those who hear God's precious Word.



Finally, we give praise to the Almighty for His gift of a new sanctuary for Mision Luterana El Mesias (Messiah Lutheran Mission) in Rio Bravo. The sanctuary was dedicated on July 19, 2016. Pastor

Luis Moreno and the men and women of El Mesias did a fantastic job on the construction. All the work was done by the members themselves. They have a full program with worship services, a weekly radio ministry, Vacation Bible School, and community outreach.



But they are not done. They have planted small trees out front and want to add grass, benches around a fountain with lights, and a neon sign displaying the name of the church from both sides. God provided a spark and now the Holy Spirit is fanning it into a fire. We now pray for these people and await the size of the blaze.



Ongoing! Even though it may not seem like there are all kinds of pressing needs, new projects etc. I want to assure you that that is an illusion. Things are being planned. There are needs to be met in visiting the lay-ministers, encouraging, guiding, and training them for their respective ministries. Pastor Isaac would like to see expansion into new mission fields. Then there is the monthly subsidy, to the tune of approximately \$3,000, that we provide for congregations and missions that are not self-

supporting.

All this is being faithfully carried out but not without your prayers. Keep KIMA and its mission in your daily prayers. And if the Lord has blessed you, and you are moved by Him, we certainly can use your financial support. Number one -- love and prayers.

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