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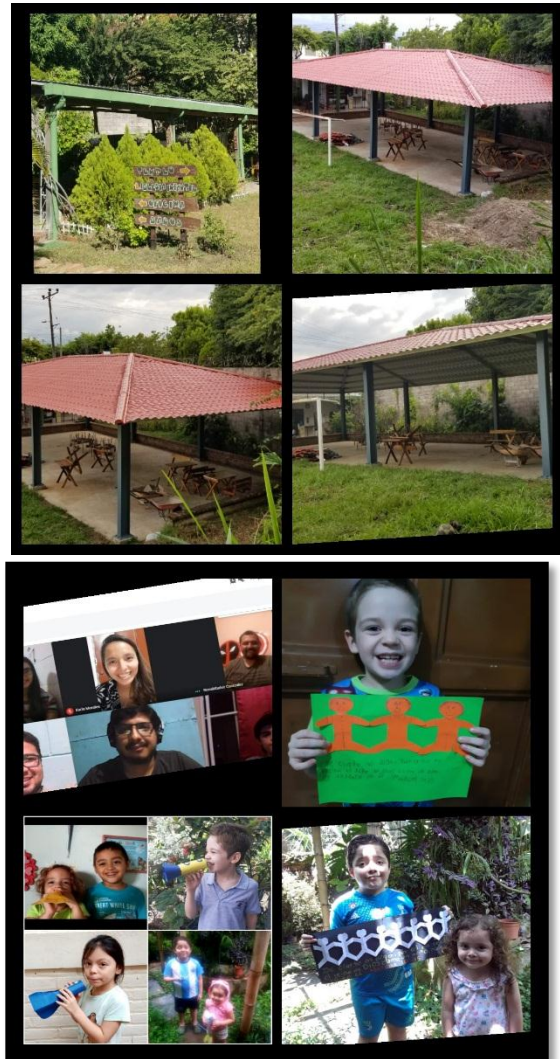
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Praise the Lord, we are doing good!!

One hundred and fifty-seven days of total confinement. So many are suffering from depression and many have had changes affecting them mentally. Hospitals are closed, and will only see patients who have tested positive for Covid-19. Many are turning to God during this time of need. There are so many health needs and most people do not have health insurance and therefore depend on the public health system. Our faith has grown. The church is determined to provide spiritual health during this time. There is worry, anxiety, stress during this time of pandemic. On August 26 we met together as a church for the first time since March 14 (157 days without meetings!) Many are still staying home and watching the services via FaceBook Live. There is much fear because the virus has been spreading in our city. We try to maintain everything clean and disinfected during each activity. What is called the new normal is impacting our church meetings and attendance is minimal. We have adapted to the re-opening of our church, we have an area where people can disinfect and they arrive 30 minutes early to complete the process of sanitation required. Those who are able to come are so excited to be back in church! Some have not seen each other for 6 months. Personally I have been able to meet many needs. I'm now called "LeoUber" or "LeoDelivery"- It has been a blessing to serve my brothers and sisters in Christ. I have delivered prescriptions, groceries, and whatever is needed. Today more than ever I thank God for a vehicle to be able to help out.

In the beginning of the month of August, God has allowed us to restart construction of the Sunday school classrooms in our church. We literally stopped working on March 14th. It was



sad, but also what we thought was going to be for the children, has become useful for small groups to meet and to help with social distancing.

Really, God is good and has been faithful to us. Our church activities and opportunities to serve have slowly started up again. We have been preaching the Word of God through social media. We are asking God for wisdom to completely return to our normal church meetings. We have continued preaching the Gospel and so many opportunities have come about during this time. It is interesting how we have reached so many through social media, both in country and internationally as well. I have prayed with so many over the phone and our sermons have reached people in other countries via FaceBook Live. Overall God has shown His mercy towards us and has been palpable to each of us daily. So far, we have lacked nothing.

Serving the communities

People in the rural areas have been affected by the virus as well. They are suffering financially and the lack of work has taken many towards desperation. Families in rural areas are larger, but God has been faithful to so many. I love going to these areas, maybe because I feel safe from the virus, but I have been able to reach so many communities with basic needs. Spending the day with these people is encouraging. Visiting with people and taking them bags of food and giving them a word of encouragement. We have taken them the Word of God and have seen many come to salvation. Glory to God He has provided abundantly for our needs. Thank you for your love and support dear brothers and sisters.



Prayer Requests:

-I would like to thank God for His protection and His care for us during this time and for His care for our church. He has blessed us and we Praise Him!

-We have many cases in our city, and the risk is high for all of us, and please continue to pray for us.

-Please pray for our safety and for the opportunity to continue preaching and helping all those in need.

-Please pray for our new normal, that we may not live in fear. Pray for safety and may God fill our lives so we can continue to work for Him.

Stay Healthy.

God Bless you.



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