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Seeking the Lord in this new reality, all I could think was to continue preaching the Gospel, to not live in fear, to not be anxious, and to not worry. These are realities that have impacted our hearts in the last few months of our lives.

As we began our in person meetings at church, we have seen how God has drawn the members closer to each other each Sunday. We have people coming to our church for the first time. God has surprised us! Nayeli came the first week the church was reopened, and on October 11 she gave her life to Jesus. She is 17 and had gone through a time of depression as a result of the confinement to her home, and the lack of being with her friends. God has spoken into her life, and now she is a child of God! She has now brought her sister to church (as Andrew did in the Bible). We have heard several comments from her family how she has grown in her spiritual walk with Jesus and how her emotional health has improved. Please pray with me for her as she grows and as we disciple her.

Another piece of good news we have to share is that Sunday school has reopened as well. The children have not met in person since March. Since meeting in person, three children have received Jesus as their personal Savior. It was amazing to see the kids' excitement as they came back to church. Many hours were spent listening to their adventures during quarantine.



Mr. Marcos Nerio is a man who is 80 years old. He cuts flowers from his garden every day and heads out to sell them. He sells each bouquet for \$2.00 and uses the money to buy food for his family. It is nice every time I see him, and we have great conversations. His humility and gratitude is a challenge to my life, and he never complains about his situation. We, as a church, have decided to help him out as we can, and it has been a great blessing to us!

Ministering to the Communities



The help we have offered the communities has been purely for their physical needs. Each week I have traveled to be with my brothers and sisters in the countryside. The pastors have given me a list of the people who have the most needs. We go together to each house and share a word of encouragement as we hand them their provisions. Yanira, a young lady who is pregnant, lives on the edge of a ravine. (Ravines here go hand in hand with poverty and danger, and are left for those who have no other place to live.) As a result of us visiting her, she now attends a church. Glory to God for loving the lost. The pastors and people in the communities are grateful for what has been done for them during this crisis.



Prayer Requests:

- The reopening of church and maintaining communion with God has not been easy. The work has multiplied as we seek to encourage the members to deepen their relationship with God. There is much depression, which no one will acknowledge, and therefore they have not sought help. **Please pray with me that God will give me strength and wisdom to walk alongside people as they seek to follow God, and pray for me, as I seek God!**
- **Pray for safety** as I visit the communities. There are places I go that are difficult to reach by car.
- **Please pray for my health.**

Stay Healthy.

God Bless you,

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