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Christmas letter

### Crazy Times

*The beginning of the year found me with projects, illusions and requests before the Lord, and it turned out that we have spent most of the year confined to our homes. What purpose did it serve? Personally, I have been able to meditate, rest a little, clean the house, become a so-so chef. The most important is how much time I have spent in the presence of God each day of quarantine. I can honestly say that God has given me a full year to refresh my vision and purpose of my ministry. I have also seen His provision in the middle of all the news of shortages that flooded the national news. I have experienced His comfort when I saw the uncertainty of the future. Besides the pandemic we have had three tropical storms, and these three storms have hit our country during the rainy season, when the ground is already saturated. I can say that the Lord has shown His love for me and has cared for me and the ministry here in El Salvador. One of the biggest blessings in the middle of this pandemic has been to serve and help the people suffering great needs, mostly in the rural parts of the country. God has been good to provide so I can take them much needed supplies in just the right timing. Entire families have been in need of physical relief, and there is nothing in ministry that makes my heart happy, like helping my "neighbors"! Thank you for being a part of this. I can say that this year has not been a loss. God has fulfilled His Word and purposes.*

### The Ministry Continues

*As a church, Family of Faith is stepping forward towards a fresh vision. Many in our church are more committed. They have been touched in the deepest parts of their hearts because of what we have lived through during this crisis. We have had some people giving their lives to Jesus, we have had members returning to church who had stopped coming. We were able to build a simple place for the Sunday School classes during a time of pandemic and this has encouraged us! We have helped each other be more sensitive to the voice of God who encourages us to continue serving Him.*

*I have taken advantage of this pandemic to compare God's love and care for all of us as "a spiritual answer to anxiety, fear and worry." This is a message that God has given me to share in groups, one on one, and*





via social media. I have been invited to share in different churches and on the radio to speak on the subject. Glory to God for this opportunity.

Now, nearing the end of the year, we continue to help those in need. Glory to God for the provision. I have attached pictures of the most recent communities we have helped.

### A Different Christmas

We do not know what this Christmas will look like. Latin Americans are characterized by big get-togethers, lots of people celebrating together! But God has not changed and somehow we will celebrate the birth of Jesus and we will share His love in the coming days as we live in this new reality. I pray that during this Christmas God will continue blessing your lives, that He will protect you and your families. May He grant you the desires of your heart.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR UNDER THE PROTECTION AND CARE OF OUR LORD.**

God Bless you.

*Leonel Arriaga*



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