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“I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Genesis 28:15

Dear Brethren.

We are so grateful to our God because every month (and every day), he gives us many reasons to be happy. Teaching the Word of God and seeing the results in my brothers and sisters, in couples and in my own family, makes me feel very happy and useful in the kingdom of God.

This last month I had the pleasure of teaching I Corinthians in an evening bible school in Matamoros, Mexico. They are struggling with the financial support and my wife helped them with the food for the students on Mondays that we had the class.

Also, the school of preaching in Palm View, Texas, asked me to teach the book of Isaiah. This is also an evening bible school with two groups of students, one in Palm View, Texas and the other in Las Milpas, Texas. They gave me \$640.00 for two weeks of teaching. They have just graduated five students.

Also, this last month we went to Aguascalientes, Mexico to teach a course regarding the development and growth of the church in the first century. That is a small congregation and they wanted to know some biblical resources that can help them to develop and grow. God’s Word is old but not outdated, so we can learn and practice the mission and the vision of the church in the first century.

I have made plans to come to Laredo once a month for three days, except on Sunday, to see my dad and Chely’s mother. But, I like that the church always has something for me to do: gospel meeting, youth meeting or bible classes with the leaders of the church. This time, they asked me to speak at the wedding of two young Christians and friends of mine. My wife and my daughter came with me and had a great time with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Next day, after the wedding, my daughter stayed in Laredo and my wife and I had to go to Andrews, Texas to teach some bible classes on Saturday and Sunday. The topic was “What are you willing to do for the Lord?” On our way to Andrews, we stopped in San Antonio to visit a family who moved from Brownsville to that city and with whom we have a good friendship. We just had breakfast with them and continue our way to be on time for the class in Andrews, Texas.

In our church, we continue with the bible workshop on Tuesday, and just finished the book of Genesis on midweek class, and will continue with Exodus. On Sunday bible class, we just started studying The Church that Jesus Built, and on Sunday evening we are studying the topic “Maturing to serve God and Others”. Also, we had a baptism; Alejandro Vega was baptized for the remission of his sins.

In my house, I have a very good relationship with my family, my son is working as a manager at Whataburger, my daughter has just finished her career as a social worker but wants to continue going to school to get her bachelor degree, my wife is my best partner in my work for the Lord and in keeping my children in God’s service. My cup overflows!