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Dear Pastor and Friends,

We returned home to Tuxtla on August 17 after a short "furlough" to report to some churches we had not visited in many years and enjoy some great fellowship with friends and family. Because we know the love of our people it was not a great surprise, but it was as delightful as ever to be greeted at the airport by a good group of them singing, shouting and holding up welcome signs, even though our arrival was almost at midnight. We are some of the most blessed people of our time to be loved by people almost as much as we love them!

Our people had carried out the Youth Camp, Junior/Music Camp, Deaf Camp and Nine Vacation Bible Schools while we were gone. The number of major activities with their corresponding myriad of details was overwhelming when we returned. In the morning of August 28 we carried out a ribbon cutting ceremony and the inauguration of our new Christian school "La Escuela Luz y Libertad"-The Light and Liberty School. (There is a link to a brief video of this event in the email in which we sent out this prayer letter.) This was, of

course, a tremendous step forward in this great project and we thank God with all of our hearts for His miraculous provision and for the many people and ways He used to provide.

There is still a great deal of work to do to get the incorporation papers processed, the bank account opened, the permits to operate preschool and junior high school levels in the future, all with their corresponding long lists of bureaucratic requirements, steps to take and visits to offices of government and education departments. And, that is besides the construction of the third floor of the building project. Since the school will supply funds for work scholarships for Bible College students (the main goal of the college

project) we are also seeking incorporation and legal recognition of our College and Bachelors Degree in order for the school donations to be tax-deductible and to have its own bank account. Please pray for me as I direct all these tasks. My mind literally becomes physically weary of the load of obstacles and decisions.

Getting back to August 28, after inaugurating the school in the morning with a celebration and the beginning of classes, that very evening we started our Opening Week of the Bible College, combined with a three day southern Mexico regional Pastors Conference. 15 new students enrolled this year so we still have over 50 in the different systems and levels. We had a wonderful Conference and now I am teaching daily my Spiritual Victory course.

This letter is getting long, but I also wanted to ask prayer for our ministry to addiction centers and jails. Some men in our church started this ministry a few years ago and have seen many souls saved and baptized. There has been such an experience of transformed lives that the number of centers asking for their service is increasing. Just recently they received a request from the eighth center seeking their ministry. Several men have branched off to minister in jails, and have also had a good number saved and baptized. "There are many open doors and many adversaries." Thank you for your prayers and support.

Yours in His service, Dan and Debbie Morris