

Tecate Mission Int'l News

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Ministries Networking Together for His Kingdom

Bible Institute of TMI (*Instituto Biblico de TMI*)

This campus has facilities for 50 resident students, a growing church congregation, and the Second Chance School with around 30 students grade K—12. Many of these children come from a dysfunctional home therefore there is scholarship program in which you can help sponsor children allowing them to learn in this safe and healthy environment. (See page 4 for more information)



Year 1995



Director Kent Traylor states, "The Bible Institute is preparing future pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers to serve throughout the world with the precious message of the Gospel. Former students and graduates are ministering in Oaxaca, Chiapas, Baja, Sonora, Jalisco, Sinaloa, other parts of Mexico, Tanzania, Africa, USA, and Honduras. Courses such as Synthesis of the Old Testament, Church Growth, Contemporary Thought, Christian Education, Methods of Bible Study, Spanish Grammar, and more are all taught in Spanish. Students come from different ethnic languages and backgrounds so the years spent at the institute are definitely a time of extended learning."

II Timothy 2:15

Tecate Christian School

Classes have begun for another academic school year. The students seem happy to be returning to class, and there are others coming for the first time. Each child is important in God's heart and also in the hearts of the TCS staff.

Principal: Ron Hoffman

Teachers: Melanie Rodriguez 1st grade

Daniel and Mary Kapitaniuk 2nd grade

Savannah McGraw 3rd grade

Rebecca Heib 4/5 grade

Curt Dokken 6/7 grade

*Mariela Arce 6/7 grade

*Adriana Garcia P.E.

The TCS faculty prepared for the new school year as they met for orientation sessions.

* part-time



TMI Established Churches

There are 22 churches which have the covering of TMI. Each church must be compliant to the laws of Mexico and must belong to the Religious Association of TMI. Pastor Eufrasio Perez, President, is a great help in taking care of paper work and legal issues which apply to the individual churches. Each church has a national pastor, and it is the responsibility of the congregation to take care of their pastor. TMI seeks to encourage the churches by helping with building and various supplies, literature, and with visits from the leadership and small groups from time to time. We encourage



the comradery of the churches to work together in retreats, services, camps, fellowship times, and personal enrichment. The churches have different forms of outreach and helping to meet the needs of the community. Some pastors place an emphasis on global missions and the congregation is taught to give liberally for evangelism. Many lives are touched continually through this department of TMI. We are

always encouraged to hear the reports from the different churches, of God's enabling and His supply through times of difficulty and times of victory. The churches must stay in agreement with the Statement of Faith of TMI as they uphold the major doctrines of the Scriptures.



Director Ron Hoffman desires to personally visit the different TMI sites when it is possible. He made a quick trip to Oaxaca in June, to join the congregation of Puerta de Salvación church with pastor Edgar Velasco as they celebrated 30 years as a lighthouse in that area. Recognition was given to the late pastor Elpidio Pérez, who began the work in 1993. They rejoiced at God's faithfulness.

These congregations are representative of all the TMI churches.

Where Are the Needs and How Are They Met?

This quarter we have highlighted a few areas of ministry where the spiritual needs are the greatest. Each department or missionary couple seek to fulfill the Great Commission in sharing the Gospel message to those to whom they minister. They also have physical needs which are met through your donations.

The **Distribution Center** at headquarters provides food, clothing and household goods to many on a monthly basis. The items are carefully sorted and prepared in boxes for distribution. We continually hear stories of how God is helping to meet physical needs. If you wish to donate items, please call Willa Edmonds in advance so that arrangements can be made. Our storage is limited. Thank you for caring.



The **Bible Correspondence Department** is sending the Word of God in both English and Spanish into many prisons where residents there are learning about the hope there is in Christ Jesus. These lessons also go into many Spanish speaking areas of North America. A request came recently from Cuba wanting the lessons to share in their home Bible study.



Missionaries Carl & Kathy Olson are working with those who have been released from prison and who need encouragement in re-entry as well as stability in their lives and Christian walk.

Jerry & Candis Bingham, TMI representatives, continue to share the need for a broader scope of global missions and the wonderful opportunity to be involved in the lives of others. The hearts of Jerry and Candis pulsate missions beyond our own comfortable circle. They have spent many years as dedicated missionaries in Mexico, Uganda Africa, and USA. If you want your hearts lifted by hearing their years of experience, please contact them through TMI.

In Chiapas, Mexico, **Antonio & Hubeydi López** dedicate themselves to the needs of the remote area of Brasil. To witness their ministry you would walk with them up and down the mountain trails over difficult terrain to visit people who are in the congregation or to take the Gospel to those unreached.

Missionaries Dan & Debbie Bender are challenged by continual contacts with refugees, recent converts, and those who are "searchers". They are asking God for wisdom and direction to help them plant a church for the Afghan people.

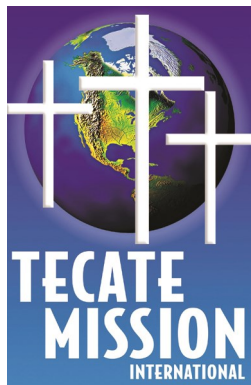


Pastor David & Lorena de Jesus Aguilar in Comalapa, Chiapas, seek to daily meet the spiritual and emotional needs of the community during these times of intense Cártel activity. There are days when they cannot leave their homes due to the violence throughout the city. They must remain strong in the Lord in order to minister to their congregations as well as to the unsaved who do not know the Lord as their Refuge.

Encouragement to the Persecuted Church

Thank you for your response to the June 2023 newsletter where we gave you the opportunity to donate to the Persecuted Church in Africa. Your giving comes to us as an encouragement and blessing. We are able to help pay rent for a group who meets secretly in a closed country. The Gospel goes forth. We want to show them that we care! You may continue to help support these sincere believers by your giving and prayers!





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The Ministry of TMI

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The Mission of TMI

TMI has a membership of persons who seek to accomplish the Statement of Purpose. Our purpose is to win the lost to Jesus Christ and to fulfill the Great Commission through recruiting, training, sending, and assisting qualified laborers in partnership with the Body of Christ.

Your Contributions

Your involvement through prayer, financial giving, and other personal contributions of articles or labor can make a difference in the lives of many people whom Christ loves and for whom He died. All funds are the property of TMI. In accordance with IRS regulation 501c3, this organization retains the right to determine the use of any and all funds while attempting to respect the suggested designation given. Funds are acknowledged with an official receipt for tax purposes.

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Opportunities to Help Meet Needs through TMI

- If you wish to continue to *support the Persecuted Church* your donations will be appreciated in helping to keep the message of Christ in the underground church in Africa.

Designate: Persecuted Church #485



- If you wish to *sponsor a child/ children in the Second Chance School*, please request scholarship information from Kent Traylor.

kenttraylor@yahoo.com

- **Designate: Child scholarship # 426.6**



Building Project

- A parsonage for the Alfarero Church in San Mateo de Mar, Oaxaca, still lacks 1/3 of the roof (cement), windows, and more. This group is serving the indigenous Hauve population of the area.

An additional \$5000. is needed to complete this building project.

Designate: Alfarero Church parsonage construction: # 450.91

