

Tecate Mission International News

New Beginnings in Year 2026

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In order to carry out effectively the work that God is calling us to, we are continually looking for dedicated missionary minded people who want to be used of God for the Kingdom. We are thankful for each one on the TMI team. We work together.

Samuel & Paloma Perez were accepted into membership to work as assistant pastor of



Emmanuel Baptist Church in Ensenada, B.C. Mexico, where his father, Ever Perez, is pastor. Samuel grew up

in the church and at an early age, he gave his life to the Lord. He and his wife, Paloma, have two young children. Pray for them as they build their support team and diligently serve the Lord.

Diana Sandoval attended Tecate Christian School. She graduated from SDSU and then joined the military. It was during this time that she made her decision for Jesus Christ. Diana was accepted into TMI membership and given the position of TCS secretary. She has two young children. Pray for Diana as she also builds her support team and serves the Lord in the school.



Home at Last

David Jaynes served faithfully in the Bible Correspondence Dept. He was welcomed into the Lord's presence on Dec. 30, 2025.

Sandy Rowe served faithfully primarily in the Tecate Christian School. She went to be with the Lord whom she loved and served, on January 13, 2026.



Three years ago, **Isidrio & Ana Vallarta** came



to study at the TMI Bible Institute. Even though they now have 4 children, the Lord definitely is leading them back to their home in San Mateo Del Mar,

Oaxaca, Mexico, to do missionary work with TMI missionaries Esteban & Isabel Hinojosa. A portion of Isidrio's life was given to the vices of the world, so now, he and his wife desire to dedicate their lives completely to the Lord and His service. Pray for them as they also build their support team and humbly serve.

More New Beginnings:

Names have been written down in the Lamb's Book of Life recently as students study the Bible courses.

"...I am glad that I found your address. I enjoy studying the Word of God and trying to change my life and behavior. Studying my Bible Studies is basically all I do. I don't care about day room activities. I study in my cubicle and work on my studies. Thank you for sending me more lessons..."



student in prison

"Study to show yourself approved unto God..."

Faithfulness in Giving

Nearly 500 names of donors (individuals and churches) crossed my desk this past year. During this time, some donors have gone to be with the Lord after years of faithful giving, and other gave their very first donation to TMI. It is amazing to see how God works through so many people to meet the needs of His children who are serving through this ministry.



My father was quiet about his faith, but he instilled in me the importance of giving to the Lord above and beyond tithing, and how the Lord blessed him because of it. Today, I am still reaping some of those benefits as well as ones from my own giving.

I am encouraged by children who carry on the support of TMI missionaries after their parents have passed on. I am encouraged by those who give for special projects and by those who give to the general fund. I am encouraged by the faithful \$1.00 gift as much as the one time \$10,000 gift. I am encouraged when God's people give to God's work.

"One who is faithful in very little is also faithful in much." (Luke 16:10a ESV)

Mary Kapitaniuk, TMI Finance Office

Ricardo Salvador is leading the prayer and Bible Study group to love and value missionary labor. Some go into Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, to preach the Gospel in a public park. Over 50 people have accepted Christ through this ministry. They share food donations with those in need. At year end, there was a large concentration on food baskets, school supplies, etc. being distributed. There are new beginnings in many lives.

What Happens on the Campus of the Bible Institute of TMI ?

Director Carlos Escobar shares that there is continual activity as the students participate in classes, have library time, meals in the dining hall, and the necessary recreation. They also leave campus to fulfill their ministry assignments in different churches. This is a very important and pivotal time in their lives. Decisions are being made that will affect their future. TMI missionaries on the teaching faculty this semester are Carlos Escobar, Andy Clark, Rossana Toledo and Juan Valdez.



On the same campus is The Second Chance School led by Carlos's wife, Barbara. She has a passion for the academic and spiritual need of the 24 students in her school. Some of the students come from dysfunctional homes who very much need God's love shown to them.

Also on this campus, the congregation of Truth and Life Church meets, co-pastored by Carlos Escobar and Andy Clark. Some congregants are enthused about participating in the evangelism program led by TMI pastor Juan Valdez.

Reflections from a Recent Trip to Chiapas, Mexico



Antonio & Hubeydi have a stable church in Brazil, Chiapas. Their desire is to extend the ministry into other areas.

David pastors the church in Comolapa, Chiapas. He and his wife received their plaque for 10 years of faithful service with TMI.



Roberto pastors two small churches high in the mountains of Chiapas. His wife, Fidalina, ministers at his side.



Ron & Andy were blessed by the dedicated TMI missionaries and what God is doing in and through them!

Passion for Jesus and His Word



Director Ron Hoffman states: "Last November 2025, I had the privilege to visit a country in north Africa where it is illegal for citizens to leave Islam for another faith.

The purpose of my trip was to meet with and encourage Christian believers who had left Islam and who were now meeting in secret with other Christian converts. They shared the stories of their conversions with me, and I shared with them theological training literature and New Testaments that I had 'brought' with me into their country to give to them. These books are prohibited in their country since conversion is illegal for citizens. These books were translated into the country's dialect of Arabic by other TMI missionaries, so they were very warmly received.

This was an eye-opening and heart-breaking trip, learning about how our brothers and sisters in persecution must struggle to follow Christ, yet are so passionate for Him and HIS Word!

Let us heed Hebrews 13:3
"Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and



those who are mistreated (persecuted), since you also are in the body."

God's Saving Grace

Pastor Ever Perez in Ensenada reports that a few years ago church members ministered weekly by door-to-door evangelism to a grandmother who pleaded with the Lord to save her family. Family mem-



bers were deeply involved in drugs and related sin. She passed away. Later her prayers were answered when one grandchild accepted the Lord and faithfully attended the church. This young man grew in his faith, and he now goes out to evangelize on Saturday morning. There are new beginnings in lives in Ensenada!

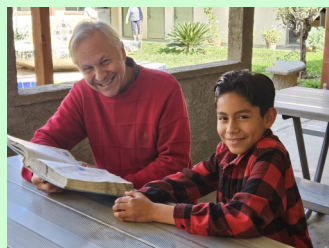


Tecate Christian School



First grade teacher Melanie Rodriguez, is testing students for the new academic school year. They must pass a proficiency test to be accepted into 1st grade.

Teachers and students of TCS celebrated 100 days of classes in this academic year by dressing as elderly people. Teacher Rebecca Heib, is seen here with two first grade students.



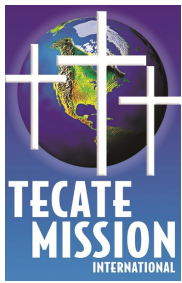
Daniel Kapitaniuk is a skilled math teacher at TCS. He instructs 2nd,4th,5th grade math classes, as well as spending hours in individual tutorial teaching for the Junior High students.

The students quietly eat their lunches, and then they have time for some recreation. Sixth grade teacher, Fendi López, is on lunch duty.



Prayer Request: TCS is still looking for: a principal, teacher and maintenance worker.

Is God calling you? Please pray and share this staffing need.



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TMI is a non-profit, non denominational faith organization serving in the USA , Latin American and Africa from the base in Tecate, CA.

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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What is Your Part to Help the Persecuted Church?

Extend YOUR ministry by supporting the work of the underground churches in Africa by your fervent prayers and financial assistance. The love of God is being shared, and Christians remain firm in their faith and in their desire to bring others to Jesus!

Goal: to send at least \$500 monthly for the needs of faithful and valiant believers. What a privilege to assist others in danger as we remain in comfort and safety.

Designate: **#485** Persecuted Church

Prayer and Praise

Land has been donated in Motozintla, Chiapas for the purpose of building a church. This ministry will be under the direction of Pastor David Aguilar. Ron and Andy met with the brothers who are interested in this new outreach for Jesus! Let us pray that many might find peace with God as His Church is extended.



Psalm 127:1 The Lord builds the church.....