

## Mexico Trip



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It had been four years since we visited Tlaxcala and taught the first eight chapters of Romans. This January we were finally able to return to finish the last eight chapters. The church where we taught is named COMUNIDAD CRISTIANA DE TLAXCALA- EMMANUEL. It is a church filled with believers who love the Lord Jesus. They showed this immensely in how they cared for us. All three of us, Roberto Morales, Juan Iriarte, and myself ended up

with respiratory issues. The prayers of this group of Christians, as well as the prayers of many others to whom we reached out, got us through a time of intense teaching. The Lord is always faithful, and our circumstances were no match for His intervention.

The teaching itself yielded results, as scripture teaches it will. The brothers and sisters commented on the new truths they learned and were encouraged to follow the scriptures in their daily lives.

After completing Romans 9 through 16, we traveled to Xalapa. The church there has one of the longest names I have ever seen: TEMPLO EVANGELICO DE LA UNION DE IGLESIAS QUE SE REUNEN EN EL NOMBRE DEL SENOR JESUCRISTO. This name translates to: EVANGELICAL TEMPLE OF THE UNION OF CHURCHES THAT MEET IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST. It is a great name.

This church also welcomed us with open arms and took care of us as we continued to deal with our illnesses. There were a few challenges in this congregation, but after some explanation, they understood the teaching of God's word, and we praised the Lord.

I now have a new list of Christian family members to pray for. I hope you will join me in praying for these believers in Mexico.

***Written by Joe Aguilar, DM2 board member***

As director of DM2 Bolivia, it is my prayer that our lives always bring praise and honor to God. By God's grace and provision, we have found that one way or another we (Bolivian believers) can reach many places with the gospel, whether in our country or in other countries to which God calls us.

In January God once again gave us the privilege of going to Mexico. We taught Romans 9-16 in Tlaxcala and the book of Ephesians in the state of Xalapa. Our team consisted of myself and Juan Iriarte from Bolivia, Saul Arriaga from León Guanajuato, Mexico, and Joe Aguilar from Texas.



Sharing together like this was a special blessing, especially after not having seen our brother Saul in such a long time. What a joy it was to see how God is using this brother. Despite his 72 years, he is very responsive to the teaching of God's word. It was wonderful to hear him confidently share the truth God has taught him. Pray God continues to use this brother and his wife Graciela in His work.

Since the pastor of Emanuel Church in Tlaxcala died a few years ago, the church has lacked leadership and sound Bible teaching. This disheartened me, but then I received the following note that greatly encouraged me.

Pastor Roberto:

Le envío un saludo y deseando que el Señor siga usando sus vidas para compartir el evangelio, del cual por la gracia de Dios fui alcanzado hace ya un poco tiempo a través de sus enseñanzas, El Señor los Bendiga. Gracias al Señor por sus vidas

Pastor Robert:

I send you my greetings with the desire that God continues to use your lives to share the gospel. It was not so long ago, through your teaching, that God saved me by His grace. May God bless you. I thank the Lord for your lives.



Left: This photo shows our joy handing out the certificates at the end of the workshop.



Right: Joel García is a young man who had studied Romans with us at another church. He was at the Ephesians workshop and said it was a big blessing to him, he learned a lot, and he will certainly be at the next study.

Teaching Teaching the book of Ephesians in the city of Xalapa was another unique experience. The believers were very confused about some issues, but God gave us the needed wisdom to help them understand His plan. There were forty participants at this workshop, and all came with a tremendous desire to learn more about God.



God allowed Pastor Juan Iriarte (on the left) to travel with me on this occasion. It was his first trip to Mexico. This brother has grown a lot through the DM2 workshops down through the years and has an extraordinary ability to teach God's word with great clarity. Here he is at the airport on our return to Bolivia, a little tired, but nothing like a cappuccino to revive him!

Brothers and sisters, we greatly appreciate your participation in the gospel. The purpose of DM2 is to empower faithful people to proficiently teach others for the edification of the church and for bringing the gospel to the unreached. What God has done and continues to do in our lives is much more than we can do for others. We simply want to be instruments in His hands.

*Written by Roberto Morales, DM2 field director, Bolivia*

## Prayer Requests:

- For God to raise up many future workers through 3DTC in the USA and CC3D in Bolivia.
- For many opportunities for those being taught to teach others.
- For guidance and direction in planning workshops and new training programs.
- For plans to video and set up an online training program for those unable to attend in person. This will be a two-year project.
- Carlos Tellez and two Bolivian pastors are currently teaching a DM2 workshop in Argentina. Pray for their teaching to change hearts and have a long-term impact.