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THIS YEAR:

- It seems that this year the Lord kept us busier than in other years and we are grateful to Him for giving us the opportunity to serve Him!

- Lately we have had many earthquakes in our area; one was 7.3 which caused damage and deaths in San Marcos, Guatemala, which is not far from Tapachula. The mission home and Emmanuel Church did not suffer any damage to their construction. We Thank God for this. He has always been good to us and takes care of us!

Merry Christmas!



We pray that all of you are doing well and are being richly blessed by our Lord. We thank God that we are all doing well and as always busy in the different ministries in God's work.

(Picture: Stacy, Emily, Miriam, Charlie, Esther, Beth & Anita.)

Our rainy season is finally over! We thank God for the rain and because we did not suffer from

floods again!

Ann Elizabeth's health has deteriorated more this past year. It takes her up to two to three hours to be able to finish her meals. A percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy (PEG) surgery has been recommended by her doctor, and may be done in the near future. Esther has been healthy and fully recovered from her broken arm suffered last June. We thank God for her health. She has been a loyal and faithful servant to God in His work here in the Puerto Madero and Tapachula area for over 50 years.

Edgard

This year we have seen loved ones go on to be with the Lord; we have also seen some of those who we have ministered in one way or another also be taken to be with the Lord.

Edgard, a 34 year old alcoholic lost his battle with alcohol. He was found dead a few days ago. All his life he was

spoken to and taught about God's love. Many times he gave his life to Christ and would go sober for a month, attending church and even helping on many occasions to carry Elizabeth up the stairs of the mission home before and after church. His death is a mystery since it is believed that he was murdered as he slept.



We pray that he was at peace with God. Edgard was Heber's younger brother. Heber died in an accident two years ago leaving behind his wife and four children.

Guadalupe



A few days before Edgard passed away, Guadalupe, a mother of six, passed away due to AIDS (her husband died a few years ago also from AIDS after accepting Christ as his personal savior). Guadalupe leaves 6 children behind,

ages from 7 to 20 years old. She had been a regular helper at church in our compassionate ministries. Both PAM and Emmanuel Church are helping these young children spiritually and with support. All of them attend church regularly and attend the compassionate ministries of Emmanuel Church, which are

helped sponsored by your offerings to PAM.

Please help us with your prayers and support as beds and other essential things need to be provided for them.

(Picture: Anita and Guadalupe.)



Veronica

Veronica and her 4 children ages 2 to 11 are living at the mission home. She has given up on her irresponsible husband and father to the children. She left him and did not have a place to live, so as many others; they found a place here at the mission

home. Veronica and her children also receive their meals at the mission and on Sunday at Emmanuel's Church Sunday breakfast ministry. Veronica helps at the mission home and receives a small salary for her help. Veronica and her children attend Emmanuel Church. We thank you for

your prayers and support as we are able to help those in need giving them clothing, shoes, vitamins, medication, and most important of all, teach them God's word.

(Picture: Veronica and her children.)



Agustin

Agustin (25) is another young man living at the Mission home. During the day he helps at the mission home and Emmanuel Church doing handyman work. He is also attending adult school in order to fin-

ish his elementary studies. As a child his parents would send him to sell tamales in the streets of Puerto Made-ro even up to the late hours of night. As a child he suffered from sexual abuse and mistreatment.

He has suffered very much emotionally, and even though he has had a sad and rough past, he is a good young man who loves the Lord very much.



The Lord is helping him to heal from his physical and emotional wounds. Please keep Agustin in your prayers.

month. Thank you for your support, as this would not be possible without it!

(Picture: Agustin.)

A room for Agustin is being built at the mission home. The electrical wiring, door and windows have to be put in so that he can have his own room. We pray that we will be able to have this finished by the end of this

San Diego team coming this winter!

This December we will be receiving a mission group with 18 members from Gateway Church, The River Church, Iglesia Templo Bautista and youth from other churches in San Diego.

We are excited that they are coming as we know that they

have been planning and praying for their trip for months. We have also been praying for them and the work they will be doing here.

Many activities are planned for the different places where they will be ministering. They will also

be bringing much needed supplies for those in need here.

And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:15

End of the year ...

As the year comes to an end, we look back to all the months of this year and the work we have done, the people who have been touched in one way or another, and even though we feel more has been done this year in the different ministries, it will never be enough to repay God for his mercies upon us.

Psalm 116:12 (NIV) ¹² *What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?*

(Picture: Some of the women in Esther's women's Sunday school class.)





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The Cook family has been serving in the State of Chiapas, Mexico as missionaries since the early 1950's preaching the Gospel, discipling, planting & developing Churches, assisting pastors all over Chiapas and Guatemala, and providing support, shelter, food, vitamins, reading glasses, medicine, clothing, shoes, school supplies, and other essentials to the people in need, as the needs arise.

Currently serving in the Southern part of Chiapas, Puerto Madero and Tapachula, are Esther, Anita, Charlie, Miriam & Emily Cook.

We encourage you to pray for this area of Chiapas, and for the continuous growing of all the seeds that have been planted in the hearts of the people in those communities throughout the years!

Thank you!

We thank our Lord for all of you who have been our coworkers in God's work here in this part of Chiapas. We assure you that you are a great part of this ministry through your love, prayers and support.

We hope and pray that you will continue to be our coworkers in the coming year! May He richly bless you this coming Christmas season!

Numbers 6:24-26 *The Lord bless you and keep you; ²⁵the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; ²⁶the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

In His Name,

Esther, Elizabeth, Charlie, Miriam and Emily

