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Dear Faithful Friends and Co-laborers in Christ:

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THANK YOU for your faithful prayer and financial support! We covet your continued prayers for us and the ministry that God has called us to here. We do not feel worthy to be serving the Lord in the capacity that He has us serving, but it is an honor and privilege to not only serve the Lord, but also to serve His servants.

Please PRAY for the many missionaries in Mexico — there are numerous ones faithfully striving to fulfill God's great commission. Last year, the Lord allowed us to be of service to 122 of these different missionaries and national pastors. This number sounds like an astronomical amount, but yet we continue to hear of other independent Baptist missionaries and national pastors in Mexico that we do not even know. The needs are great in Mexico. Please remember their safety in PRAYER as well. There have been a couple who have left the field due to the increased violence over the past several months. We personally know of several missionaries who have received threatening phone calls from the drug cartel. About a month ago, one of the single missionary ladies' vehicle was stolen at gunpoint. Thankfully she was not hurt in any way, but her vehicle was stolen and then totaled as it was driven into a concrete wall!

We PRAISE the Lord for providing some financial help for Pastor Melchor's church building. We also PRAISE the Lord for Pastor Albright, the local pastor who helped a couple of days when we did some remodeling work on Pastor Melchor's church the first of April. Pastor Albright is working on getting a group from his church to do V.B.S. at Pastor Melchor's the third week of August. It is a BLESSING to see God continue to let the seed grow that was planted there a few months ago!

We want to PRAISE the Lord for the group of 15 who came from Grace Baptist Church in Landrum, SC to help with the Day of the Child the end of April. These Junior and Senior High School students did a WONDERFUL job of ministering while here. We had to do some last minute changes on when and where we were going to minister due to the violence and US & Mexican government warnings to Americans crossing over in the state of Tamaulipas. But, we saw God's hand even in this! They were able to get a real good taste of Mexico just the same and ministered in 3 churches in Mexico and 1 church in Donna. Each student had written out their personal testimony in Spanish and over the course of those several days, shared it at least one time. They also sang some songs/choruses in Spanish, did a puppet show about salvation in Spanish and gave a clear presentation of the gospel in Spanish as well. We PRAY for God's blessings on these young people and the seeds that they have sown!

We are currently in the middle of traveling for our summer meetings. This year is seeing us 9 weeks straight on the road. PRAISE the Lord for His goodness, His watch care and His provision during the past 5 1/2 weeks (thus far)!! We will be spending the 4th of July weekend preaching and ministering in New York City. Then we will working our way back to the border in meetings all along the way — planning on arriving home on July 23.

We PRAISE the Lord for opening doors for us already for 2011. We already have our tentative schedule in place and will now need to start working on filling all those dates in. Please PRAY with us for God's provision for travel expenses (these seem to increase each time we go out) and also for new support. Due to our type of ministry and it's continual growth, the needs constantly grow. We ask for your PRAYERS for us to be wise stewards of His funds and also for God to bring in more supporters.

As we have traveled, we have had a number ask us how the economic situation has been effecting our personal support level. To be honest, we thought that we have not had any lower or cut our support because we had not been notified by any of our supporting churches. But, since we have been on the road, we have checked and discovered that we have lost right at \$350/month! This is in addition to the \$300 that we were already shy in. Please PRAY with us for God to fill in those gaps with new support or for God to provide for those churches to be able to pick back up the ones they have had to drop. We are THANKFUL for their continued prayer support though!

Please remember these PRAYER requests as well:

- (1) Jeff's dad is scheduled for more back surgery August 12th for some decompression and one fusion in his lower back due to his serious fall in March 2009 — this will be his 3rd back surgery.
- (2) Klæe and Stephanie Stoller, daughter and son-in-law of one of our supporting pastors in Ohio. Klæe, age 21, was diagnosed with cancer a couple of months ago and is currently undergoing chemo every 15 days. Please PRAY for healing, grace and strength during these days.
- (3) The Grotke's son-in-law, age 33, was killed in a semi tractor/trailer accident leaving their 27 year old daughter, Rachel, a widow with two girls ages 6 and 8.

In His Service,

Jeff, Bettina and Meagan Shue

P.S. PRAY also for Hurricane Alex's anticipated arrival tonight in Mexico!

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