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Dear Pastor and Friends,

We enjoyed being in many of the churches during our short furlough, but we are glad to be back home. We were unable to visit some of you as we had planned, but trust God to be able to do so sometime next year. We deeply appreciate Dick and Linda Redding. They did a good job directing the work in our absence and we are thankful to have them as our colaboradores in the work here.

It is always a blessing to experience God's hand in the work here in Mexico. In the first quarter of 2008 we have enjoyed God's blessings in the Churches and Bible College. The total average attendance in the churches and missions was 3,288. There were 831 that received Christ as Savior and 168 followed the Lord in baptism. Thank you for your faithfulness in prayer and support that has permitted us to labor together in bringing forth more fruit for His glory.

The Church in El Naranjo, where Daniel Aguilar, one of our graduates pastors, is doing very well. When we came to Mante 20 years ago and took the charge of this work, they were running around 40 in attendance. Today the Church is organized and averages 240 in attendance with four mission churches that average a total of 185 each Sunday. This year in the first three months over 140 have been saved and 35 baptized.

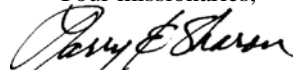


The last week of April we celebrated the 47th graduation at Baptist Bible Institute. Our theme was "Lifting Up your Eyes and Looking on the Fields." We were blessed to hear our Mexican missionaries to other countries speak in the morning services. They challenged us to go to the regions beyond. Dr. Larry Maddox, pastor of Central Baptist Church and Director of Central Missionary Clearing House in Houston, Texas was our special speaker. His preaching was timely and powerful. On graduation night there were around 1,200 in attendance to witness the 17 that were graduated. This makes a total of over 656 graduates since 1962. Our graduates are pastoring and working in practically every state in Mexico. Others are serving as missionaries in 5 different countries and in three major tribal areas in Mexico.

Pray for the work, our youth camps in July, the college, churches and Mexican people. Pray for the need of additional monthly support for the work Also pray that God will supply the additional \$2,500.00 needed for the roof of the auditorium. Pray for a good group of new students in September.

May God's richest blessings be upon you and your ministry as you labor for our Lord. Thank you again, for your faithfulness.

Your missionaries,


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