

# Border to Border Missions News

Hebrews 13:16 And do not forget to do good and to share with others.

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Dear Family & Friends,

We hope you had a wonderful summer and know you're back in the "groove" of things. We sincerely thank each and every one of you for your prayers and financial gifts. God has blessed many Hispanic families because of your generosity. They are so grateful to you.

There have been many homes built in the past few years and this has led to a large increase in the growth of churches. Since we last wrote, we added a roof to Pastor Manny's church of 100 people. Although they had all the walls, windows, and the floor, there was no roof. Pastor Jose's small church (photo on lower left) grew from 120 last year to over 200 people this year. With men from his church, a big addition was added. (Photo below) We also added a small kitchen to the back of the room. We had planned on constructing a building for the children as



they have no place to meet, but the church grew so quickly we had to do something. We're praying the congregation will be able to buy the land behind the church so children's classrooms can be built. There are about 100 children.

Pastor Tino received a brand new church (photo on lower left) that will also seat 200 people and was built by *Majestic Baptist Church* from Pueblo, CO. Sunday school classes were created



in his old church building by the team from *Southeast Christian Church*, Denver, CO. (photo on right) There have been three new church plants from Pastor Tino's church. Praise God for these new churches. Pastor Jorge is one of Pastor Tino's new church starts and also received a new church this



year. There were about 30 meeting in his tiny living room and now they can grow to 70.

Presently we're working on a project in the mountains of Madera, MX, which is seven hours

from El Paso. We'll keep you in suspense until next month. ☺



Our goal is to reach families with the Gospel and we're exploring (the Lord seems to be leading) the possibility of giving special wheelchairs with those that have special needs. At present, we have forty adults and children that need these chairs and we know there are many more. A wheelchair is an incredibly life changing event for a child or adult. Many can't get around or moms carry these children everywhere or they lay on their beds. Can you imagine the freedom these chairs would provide the recipient or the family when they're able to get

around on their own or mom not to have health issues of carrying these children? It was a wonderful experience when we gave Josue (see photo on left) his wheelchair. When he was placed in the chair, you could see the relief on his face and his little body became more relaxed. You could feel God's presence knowing we were helping one of His children. Josue's whole family came to know the Lord through this gift.

These chairs are specially fitted to each individual and would cost about \$3000. Our cost of shipping them here is about \$150. We're asking you if you would help donate the needed \$150 so we can help reach families with these special chairs and with the Gospel of Christ. Please make check payable to : Border to Border Missions; memo line- Wheelchairs. These chairs are donated by *Joni and Friends-Wheels for the World*. Though the ministry provides the chairs, our responsibility is to get them delivered to the families.

Funds for Border to Border Missions have been greatly diminished. Should this shortfall continue we will need to dramatically reduce our work in Mexico. We feel so blessed to have supporters who have funded *Border to Border Missions* and us these past few years. We are so appreciative of you! We ask you to pray for our board as they prayerfully seek God's direction for the future of *Border to Border Missions*. We know God is in control and completely trust Him as our provider during this difficult financial trial.

As Barb writes this, Jim has a nasty viral infection and gastritis. Please pray for healing.

*Blessings to you all,*

*Jim & Barb*

**Praises**

*New church growth*

*New Church plants*

*Safety in traveling*

*Good health*

*Hetzel's funds Ok*

**Prayer Requests**

*Funds for wheelchairs*

*Funds for Border to Border*

*Jim's recovery*

*Violence to end in Juarez*