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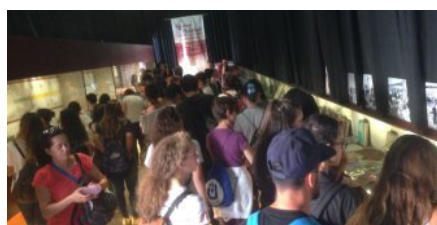
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Dear Friends,

*“And the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for behold I bring you good news of a great joy...today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:10-11) Jesus’ birth was, and still is, the good news that makes Christmas what it is. That’s the Christmas message we all need to remember!*

**Puebla del Río Church news.** We thank God that **Jordi** and the church have adapted well to each other. Everyone says that he is doing a great job and wants him to continue. We had our annual business meeting yesterday and the church approved a new budget to continue paying his stipend, even though the offerings aren’t quite enough to cover it. But the offerings have increased by 25-30% since Jordi has been serving in the church. We’ll see in June if there is continued growth in people attending and in the offering. **Please pray that the Lord will bless Jordi and his service here and bring in the extra offerings the church needs to cover the new budget.**

**Ministry news:** In Jan., **Frank** joined the Evangelical Historical Society of Seville and began giving conferences on the Reformation and the Spanish Reformers. With the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation in 2017 the Historical



Society did an exhibit at the City Hall of Seville from Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>– Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>. He gave the first conference on “Causes-origins of the Reformation” During 22 days it was open over 6,000 visitors came to see the exhibit.



In Oct., Frank published a book (in Spanish) about the doctrine of

cessationism. It is available on Amazon *only in e-book format*, but in both e-book and printed form in Spain, Mexico, Argentina, Colombia and Peru. For 2 days it was #2 in the Kindle sales in Spain “History of Religion” section (we don’t know how they calculate that). Please pray the book will sell to Spanish-speaking people and will help those who are confused about the spiritual gifts.

For another year Salud served all year on the regional committee that organized the annual Ladies Retreat for our federation churches. Over 185 women attended the 3-day retreat in mid-November.

**Family news:** Jonathan and Elisabeth will soon be on Christmas break from their university classes. **Jonathan** had some good practical internship in oncology at the hospital. **Elisabeth** is in her 2<sup>nd</sup> yr. of Elementary Ed. at the Univ. of Granada and also working part-time. We plan to spend 5-6 days there with her for Christmas. **Salud** had an oncology check-up on Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> and everything was good. Her next check-up is in Jan. We thank God for her good health reports. **Thank you for praying for us, for our health and for our ministry! We thank all of you who pray for and/or support us financially** to serve Christ in Spain. May God bless you and help you remember *“there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord”!*



In Jesus’ love and service,

*Frank, Salud, Jonathan and Elisabeth*



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