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Dear Friends,

Isaiah 9:6 says: "For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; and His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace." (NASB) This is one of the most famous Christmas verses as it reminds us of the titles and the future "government" of Jesus Christ, when He will reign with justice and peace on the Earth. That will be the best "Christmas gift" for a war-torn, unjust world! **May the "Mighty God...Prince of Peace", Jesus Christ, be the center of your Christmas season, as a finish 2023 and also all through 2024!!**



Puebla del Río Church. The effort to recover and rebuild a solid Gospel testimony here after the 2020-2022 pandemic setbacks continues moving forward. To close our 35th anniversary year, Lord willing at the church's Annual Business meeting on Dec. 10th, we'll add 6 new members, & also elect **Arturo** as an elder and **Elisabet** as a deaconess. Next week we finish a 10-week Bible study Frank has been teaching from Genesis to Revelation, which 6-8 members have taken. On Dec. 17th we plan to have a joint Christmas service at the Coria del Río Evangelical Church with the



national FIEIDE Secretary-Coordinator, Francisco Portillo, speaking to both churches. Arturo and Elisabet continue to be a great help in the Puebla ministry and we thank God for them, and their daughter Alicia who runs the sound and projector on Sundays. **Please pray for the Puebla church to continue to grow in Christ, and for Arturo and Elisabet as they serve the church with us.**



Other ministry. On Saturday Oct. 7th, **Salud** taught an all-day Women's conference at a church 40 miles away. There were 35-40 women from 4 different churches. The impact and encouragement in the ladies' spiritual lives was huge! Now, the videos of the 3 conferences are on the host church's You Tube channel and blessing even more women. The annual Ladies Regional Retreat Oct. 20-22 had 185 women! **Praise the Lord for using Salud to impact so many women in Andalucía and help them to follow Jesus even when life gets difficult. Please pray for God to keep her healthy and strong!**



On sept 23rd, **Frank** gave a short history conference in the Coria del Río town auditorium, to start a concert to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the Coria Evangelical Church. From the *Capilla Evangélica* in 1878, to the TEAM church plant in 1978, to the actual church today, there has been a Gospel testimony in Coria for part of the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries. Over 300 people who attended the concert heard the conference. The Coria Church is the "mother" church of the Puebla Church. On Nov. 22nd, **Frank** finished teaching 10 students in a *Biblical Ethics* class at the Seminary. What a challenge as our world gets less ethical every day! But the Bible provides solid principles to help us stand on absolute moral truth. On Jan. 19-21st **Frank** will be traveling to the town of Fraga, in the region of Aragón (about 9 hrs. north of Seville), to attend the dedication of a new church that **TBM missionaries Victor and Maddy Ramirez** are planting there. This church plant is the first and only Evangelical church in that town.



Family news. We thank God for **Julen's 1st birthday** on Dec. 6th and that we were all together for that! We're also looking forward to all being together again in Jaén, for New Year's Eve and Day! **We are so blessed by God as a family!**

Thank you for praying for us, faithfully supporting us and for encouraging us all this year. **We really do appreciate you!** God bless you with a Merry Christmas, with your focus on "the Mighty God...Prince of Peace" Jesus Christ this Christmas and in all of 2024!



In Jesus' love and service,

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