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Dear Friends,

In Luke 2:30-32, elderly Simeon exclaims as he sees the baby Jesus: "For my eyes have seen *Your salvation*. Which You have prepared **in the presence of all peoples**. A **light of revelation** to the Gentiles, and the glory

of Your people Israel." (NASB). These verses express one of the main points of Christmas: Jesus' 1st coming was to bring "salvation...in the presence of all peoples. A light of revelation" to the entire human race! The beauty of Christmas each year is that **the light of Jesus keeps shining forth to the world** to bring "salvation" to everyone who believes in Him. May that message be your "light" this Christmas season, in spite of all the darkness and despair in the world we live in!

Family news. Our big news and early Christmas blessing/present is the safe and healthy birth of Nora Kei Sirazawa Benoit!! God helped Sam and Elisabeth on Nov. 26th, as they went to the hospital in Granada. She was having much contraction pain, yet her water didn't break. Salud was at their house with Julen. At 11:00pm she called to tell me what was going on. We decided that I should go, since the baby could come that next day. But just past midnight, **at 00:30am on Nov.**



27th, Elisabeth gave birth to Nora! I left Seville at 6:00am and arrived at 9:30am. What a joy to see Nora safely born and Elisabeth doing well. **Thank you all for praying for Elisabeth, Nora, Sam and Julen** the past few months! Please pray as they adapt to the changes of a family of 4! It was a great time at **Julen's 2nd birthday on Dec. 6th** to all be at their house. **Jonathan, Irene and Sara** came from Jaén to be there and to see Nora. We're looking forward to all being together again on Christmas Eve, with *the added blessing of my sister Heidi, her daughter Charmaine and her daughter Lily visiting us then too, for a very special family Christmas in Granada!*



Puebla del Río Church. The church Annual Business meeting is Dec. 15th, and a fellowship meal afterwards. We hope to have several members sign up to serve in various ways in 2025. Visitors still come & we try to help them to know Christ and grow in Him. The big event next year will be a church retreat in February. We'd like to see 25-30 come and attend that weekend. **Please pray for that!** We'll share more in our March 2025 prayer letter. Arturo and Elisabet still share the ministry in the church. We thank God for their help these past 3 yrs. The church folk appreciate them too, even as the adjusting process has been bumpy at times. We also thank God for the support from 3 churches in NM and TX, to help the church pay **Arturo's** monthly stipend. **Thank you for praying for the Puebla del Río Evangelical Church to be a faithful testimony for Christ!**

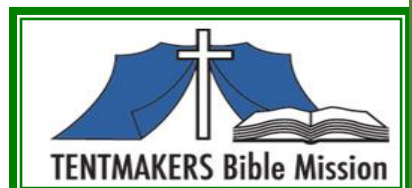
Other ministry. We still help in many ministries outside of church. In Nov., Salud served another year at the **FIEIDE Ladies Andalucía Annual Retreat**. There were about 175 women there. In Oct.-Nov. I taught 3 sessions at the annual **Expository Preaching Workshop** for Andalucía, and 15 people came. On, Oct 27th, I preached for the Reformation Day joint service in the city of Huelva and 700 people attended. It's the largest group I've ever preached to! The next day, I gave a conference on the history of the Spanish Reformation to 80 politicians, city officials and church leaders. Some said *they never*



knew the Reformation had happened in Spain!! And I also still teach history at the Seville Theological Seminary (STS) in the Master's degree on the Spanish Reformation. **Thank you for praying for our health, strength and scheduling of everything – we need it!!**

letter I'll explain what our plans are as I reach full retirement age in 2025. We want you all to know what our options are and how we expect to continue until Salud retires in 2030. We wish you *a very blessed & Merry Christmas and a safe & blessed New Year!* May Jesus Christ be your "light" this Christmas season!

We thank all of you who pray for us, our ministry, our family, and support us financially. In our next



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In Jesus' love and service, *Frank and Salud*