

# Chris and Viry SAGE

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MISSIONARIES TO MEXICO

Dear Pastors, Supporting Churches, and Praying Friends,

The Lord got us off to a wonderful start with our summer team in the small town of Jaral on June 5. The Lord has given 8 Bible college students who have given their lives to serve the Lord in this new church plant this summer. As of the date of this letter, the Lord has given us 438 people saved, 59 first-time visitors in church, and 4 baptisms. He has also given us 5 people who have been attending that have become soul winners. Several of the teenagers are also excited about camp in July.

This is not a mass-evangelism campaign. It is the old-time, door-to-door soul winning, visiting, and discipleship method of church building that we see in the book of Acts. By the grace of the Lord, we have been out soul winning over 300 hours a week, and when someone is open to a return visit and discipleship, we schedule that at the best time for that person. There has been a good response of people coming to church.

It usually takes three to five years to get a new church on its feet in Mexico. By the grace of God and with your prayers, we hope to shorten that to a year or less. There is still a lot of Catholic and family pride against a New Testament church, but the Lord is working. **Thank you very much for your prayers!**

One Saturday during our soul winning, one of our young ladies spent a good amount of time sharing the Gospel with and pleading with a 23-year-old young lady to be saved. It was about 20 minutes later that she was shot to death in a gang-related assassination. The family was understandably shaken, and some of them have been attending since.

## Prayer Requests

1. The power of God on our ministry and the new church
2. People saved, visitors in church, baptisms, and discipleship
3. Those who are attending to become soul winners
4. Workers for the September-to-November team

Yours for souls,

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***Our summer church-planting team***

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