



Call to Prayer



The Call Family Prayer Letter – Serving Along the U.S./Mexico Border

“Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel” - Eph 6:19

April 28, 2011

****We are moving to Chula Vista this May/June to join BEAMM’s new E4 team!****

E4 Team Chula Vista

BEAMM West is undergoing some changes. After two fruitful years of ministering, learning and growing here in Mexicali, God is calling us to join BEAMM’s new E4 team which is forming in Chula Vista, CA –5 minutes north of Tijuana, Mexico. E4 is taken from Ephesians 4:11-12, “And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ...” The purpose of an E4 team is to plant churches and to equip others to join our church planting efforts. This is done through a team of individuals with gifts in 5 areas: church planting, evangelism, administration, mercy ministries and education. Each member is to recruit and equip others as “apprentices” who hopefully one day will form new E4 teams to plant churches and stimulate ministries among Hispanics throughout the border region and North America.

We already have the core of an E4 team in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico as part of BEAMM’s Central Region. The first E4 team in the Western Region will be the San Diego/Tijuana area. We will be joining MTW missionaries David and Dawn Diaso who will be relocating to Chula Vista this summer. David has over 10 years of ministry experience in Mexico City. David and I (Ray) will form the core of this E4 team and will be recruiting other members as well as apprentices. Perhaps you know someone who would like to join us?

Other Changes

After several years on the field, God has called our teammates, Morgan and Patti Roe from Tijuana to

Florida. Morgan will be working in his family business there and serving in his church. God has really blessed us by this wonderful family and we will miss them! Also, our BEAMM Regional Director Gary Nantt will be relocating from Tijuana to the San Diego area to help facilitate the E4 team.

Misión Dios Soberano in Mexicali will be independent of BEAMM and Gary Nantt will resign as their official pastor as he transitions to his new focus on the E4 team. Julio Navarro continues to lead that church. Please pray that God would continue to work there. Julio has taken over the job of meeting with Juan Moto, preparing him for membership. Please pray for Juan and his family as God is at work in their lives.



Ministry Opportunities

In this time of transition I have continued to meet with Ivan Salas from Yuma, AZ. He desires to grow in his faith and in his understanding of reformed

theology and the Bible. I have also begun meeting with Raymundo from Mexicali. He has been studying online classes with Larry Trotter (MTW Mexico) and Larry put us into contact with one another. Raymundo has a thirst for growing in his knowledge of reformed theology as well! We praise God for the ways in which we can serve Him and for bringing these men into my life! It is a delight to watch God work in the hearts of others! After we move to Chula Vista, I hope to have opportunities to visit this area to continue ministering to these men.

Chula Vista

Perhaps you've never heard of Chula Vista until now. It is the 2nd largest city in San Diego County, is located just north of Tijuana and is over 58% Hispanic. The metropolitan area of which Chula Vista is a part is the 17th largest metro area in the U.S. and is home to somewhere around a million people of Hispanic origin. The border between Tijuana and the U.S. side is the most crossed border in the world and many from Tijuana work just over the U.S. side (many in Chula Vista). With a population of around 3-4 million people, Tijuana is one of the largest cities in Mexico and the largest in Baja California.

As I think about moving to a new place, I am reminded of what the Apostle Paul said to the Romans. As one reads the book of Acts, it is interesting to see how God is at work through the circumstances in which His servants find themselves. In the case of the Romans as recorded in Rom. 1, it was Paul's desire to visit them "in order to reap some harvest" among them as he had elsewhere among the Gentiles. He was enthusiastic about preaching the gospel there: "So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome." Why was he eager to preach there? Because he knew the power of God: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

As we go to Chula Vista to serve the Lord, we are asking for the power of God to be at work through the gospel as we have seen in other places, including Mexicali. We desire to be edifying to the Christian community in San Diego County and to see many people come to faith in Christ and join them in their worship of our Lord! We are asking God to raise up a church planting movement among the Hispanics

along that area of the border and are confident that the gospel will make an impact because of the power of God!



Diaso Family

Prayer Requests:

- That our focus in the midst of transition would be the Lord Jesus Christ.
- For strength and good health to accomplish all needed to transition.
- Thanks to God for those we've ministered to in Mexicali.
- Further spiritual growth in the lives of Juan, Ivan S., Raymundo and others here.
- For Misión Dios Soberano.
- God's grace for the Roe family, the Nantt family, the Diaso family and for our family as we all make these transitions.
- For ripe opportunities for evangelism in the Chula Vista area and for God's direction in forming the E4 team there.
- That God will take care of all the details of moving our property across the border.
- Ask God to raise up needed financial support.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. We are blessed by your partnership in the gospel and we thank God for you.

In Christ,

*Ray & Michele, Rebecca, Jeremiah,
AnnaGrace, John, Daniel & Christina*