



DAVIDSON PRAYER UPDATE FALL 2011



Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your continued prayer and financial support. This summer has been a busy one for the Davidsons and so I want to bring you up to date on what has been happening and what is being planned for the fall.

Since May the balance in our support account has progressively disappeared and it is now in the red. I am working to augment our support base by contacting churches. I will be visiting several churches this fall -Lakewood PCA - Sept 11 and New Covenant PCA - Sept 13 which are in Dallas. In October I will visit some churches in my home Presbytery and one in St. Louis. I would ask that you pray for God's provision. Without my full support I am severely limited in being able to carry out my job as the BEAMM E4 coordinator which requires me to travel to different areas of the border. **We are currently \$2300/month short in pledges.**



Thanks to my wife's support and encouragement I attended the last of my cohort meetings for the Doctor of Ministry program at Covenant Seminary - August 1-12. Now I only have to write a Dissertation. God willing I am planning to finish by May 2012, or December 2012 at the latest. The DMin program has helped me grow spiritually and has proven useful to the BEAMM team. I am grateful to God and my wife for the opportunity that they have given me to engage in this time of study. The focus of my dissertation will be an investigation into how seminary students in Juarez, Mexico are able to make a connection between what they

study in the classroom and their practice. I believe that this investigation will yield greater understanding of the educational process that will help others to practice best teaching methods and provide direction for instituting the E4 model of equipping.

BEAMM E4 TEAM NEWS:

The BEAMM Leadership team met for four days in August near Cloudcroft, NM -- about an hour and half north of El Paso. We spent our time working on team unity and establishing clear measurable goals for the advancement of the E4 Teams. Our main goal for the coming twelve months is to establish the E4 team in Nogales. This is a team effort that will require us to recruit the remaining team members and secure funding for them. We are seeing advances in the implementation of the E4 teams along the border. Although it feels like we are trying to push a two ton boulder up a hill there are encouraging signs.



For example, there is a MTW missionary family raising support to join the Nogales team -- they have 84% of their support. We only need two more members to round out the team. We also know of a young man in Tucson (Mexican-American) who is considering becoming an apprentice. We have achieved a

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greater level of unity among the six members of the leadership team that creates greater synergy. Likewise BEAMM will soon have two missionary units in Chula Vista, CA who will begin a second E4 team.

We desire to see a gospel, grace based, life changing movement occur across the border. Seeing new churches started and workers equipped is a means towards this end. A pipeline of equipped servants who will equip others (2 Tim 2:2). It requires a team to prepare well-rounded and fully equipped servants of Jesus Christ and the best way to equip others is in the context of on-going ministry, with life-on-life training. The members of the leadership team are praying for God to send laborers into the harvest as they actively recruit ministers and missionaries, but we need your prayer support also.

SHORT TERM TEAMS: We are interested in getting short term teams back to the border. If your church would be interested in sending a team down to the border region in 2012, please check out BEAMM's website at www.beamm.org or Mission to the World for more information.

I continue to work with Mexican church planter Samuel Lopez in Juarez. In June, Samuel asked me to help him prepare a group of church members that will form a leadership council. This will help Samuel to make plans and encourage the Mission - Frontera de Gracia to grow in number and in quality. This mission church has 21 active members and Samuel's goal is to have 30 by the end of the year. When they reach 50 communicate members and have two ordained elders they can be particularized as a church. Pray for Samuel as he labors to see this mission grow. Pray that God would provide them with a meeting place that will offer greater stability. They met in a Hampton Inn for about 8 months, are now using a Quality Inn, but would like to rent a house that they can use all week long. The major problem they are facing are high rental costs.



FAMILY NEWS:

Our youngest daughter, Ila, has suffered from joint pain since August 2010. She saw a family physician in late 2010 and a rheumatologist in the spring. While she does have some problems related to her back this does not seem to be the source of her discomfort. In August she went to a different rheumatologist in Chattanooga who believes that she maybe suffering from two problems -- Fibromyalgia and some type of rheumatic condition. She is now on two medications to help her rest and reduce the inflammation in her joints. Pray that God would heal her body and give her strength for every day.

Thank you for your prayer support and giving. The Apostle Paul states that we are more than conquerors through Him who loves us and that we cannot be separated from Him and his love. (Romans 8) God uses your prayers (Philippians 2:19), so please continue to pray.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- ☀ *Provision of support needs - \$2300 per month is needed in additional pledges.*
- ☀ *Laborers for the harvest - We need two more team members for Nogales, MX, and two - three more for Chula Vista, CA.*
- ☀ *Apprentices who will seek equipping in the E4 teams and a movement of gospel across the border.*
- ☀ *Ila's healing and God's sustaining grace in her life.*
- ☀ *The ministry of Samuel and Zeny Lopez in Juarez and the growth of the Frontera de Gracia Mission.*

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