



# **John & Barbara Strang** **Serving in MEXICO**

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Home Church  
Faith Baptist Church  
Bath, SC 29816

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus,

I trust all is well you and that you find God all sufficient in all situations. God is good!

With the rise of violence in Mexico, it has not deterred our outreach nor our village works. We heed the warnings of the people when they tell us not to visit certain areas when violence is imminent and they let us know when the danger has settled down and we once again visit and witness. Our attendances are up in all our meetings. Church is strong and growing! We have many professions of faith in the Lord Jesus but I'm hesitant in saying we have many folks saved because time will tell and the bearing of fruit will determine the type of tree. The tree is know by his fruit!

With the New Year came a new president here in Mexico. He took over the presidency the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2019. Since assuming the office of president of Mexico, food, gasoline (right at \$5.00 US dollars per gallon) and utilities have increased. Summer is upon us and with the increase in the price of electricity KW usage; it's shaping up to be a hot time in our part of old MX. AC usage will be nil to none. Back to the old days of sleeping outside in hammocks or it is mosquito feeding time again! Very minor compared to the sufferings of our brothers and sisters in Christ in other places!

Thank you for your continued prayer on behalf of Simon's daughter getting her BABC (born abroad birth certificate). No good news as yet. Also thank you for your continued prayer for our oldest son (Tony). He still has his foot and leg, thus far, but having a \difficult time getting infection under control.



Papi Juan (Tim's father-in-law) went home to be with the Lord Dec. 29, 2018. He was also my friend. I/we knew him before he accepted the Lord Jesus and I saw him grow in the Lord and in the Word over the years. He was very faithful in his walk with the Lord and touched many lives. "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God". Mama Esthela (Papi Juan's wife) is having a very difficult time adjusting. Not like the states in getting social security. If family does not take care of her, she will be in a desperate struggle to survive. In most cases, family members are the providers and care takers in these situations in Mexico, NOT government.

Thank you for praying for the Lord's work and us. Thank you also for your faithful financial support because without it, we could not continue serving the Lord Jesus Christ in Mexico.



**In His Service,**  
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**Numbers 6:24-26** - "The LORD bless thee, and keep thee: The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace."