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Dear Family and Friends,

I am asking your forgiveness for my lack of communication in the last few months. Since I got back to the village after Christmas break, I have been very busy with the construction project and a few visiting teams and friends.

The Lord continues to shower these precious people with His love, healing and compassion. We have been blessed by a few visiting teams and friends: YWAM DTS (Discipleship Training School) from Switzerland, YWAM BSN (Bible School of the Nations), Buenas Nuevas Culiacan Project, a team of 5 friends from the U.S and Mexico; Fire Mexico and a dear friend from the States.

Every team has been a blessing to Bridge to the Nations and to the Indigenous migrant workers in the area. There have been many people who received the Lord as their savior during the many outreaches conducted with the visiting teams.

Each person on the teams imparted many gifts to all of us and I can truly say the foundation for the new Christians here is growing stronger.







One of my dearest friends was recently here and wanted to share her experience with all of you.

Dear friends of Maria and Bridge To The Nations,

I visited with Maria for two weeks, seeing firsthand some of the ministry of Bridge to the Nations among these precious Indigenous migrant workers. They work so hard harvesting in the fields, are oppressed by men and the devil, yet exude such a sweetness. Here are a few highlights of my visit:

I wish you could walk through the camp with Maria and see the greetings from all the kids
—"Maria! Maria!" like she is the most special person in their world (which she probably is!) It
takes forever to cross the camp as she stops to greet people by name, asking about kids,
parents, pains, and burdens they obviously have shared and prayed about before. There is
definitely an anointing of love for these people upon Maria's life.

I assisted some of the Literacy students with their homework and we also had mid-week Bible studies in which we put together short dramas to illustrate Bible principles.

We also visited people door to door and about 8 people gave their life to the Lord during those visits. There was a team visiting the weekend I was there. The team and BTTN conducted sessions of Sozo prayer (2 hours each) where individuals are led to deliverance in four areas of their lives and then encounter the Holy Spirit, Jesus and the Father in powerful and intimate fellowship. Definitely no dry eyes as the love of God poured over them. It is so encouraging to see people being delivered and hungry for God and His word.

I also would like to make known some opportunities for you to participate in this amazing ministry.

- **1. Prayer.** Maria functions as Pastor, counselor, teacher, intercessor, evangelist, soccer coach, kids' friend, and much more. She hosts teams, opening her heart and home so the people at the camp will be blessed by Bridge To The Nations' ministry. Please consider becoming an intercessor for Maria.
- 2. Financial Giving. All that Maria does here requires resources. If you saw the poverty here, the simplicity in which Maria lives, and how she gives of whatever resources she has, you would know that all of us in North America have abundant resources. Please consider making a one-time or monthly donation to Bridge To The Nations at www.bridge2thenations.com
- **3. Go!** Whether alone, with a friends or a team, come and visit Maria and the people of Tayoltita to experience for yourself what God is up to here, and let your hearts be both broken and filled.

Thanks for taking the time to read this and considering partnering with Bridge to the Nations. Just like my friend, you could also schedule a visit and experience God's love for the Indigenous Peoples of Mexico and their culture first hand.

As far as the **construction project phase 1**, I am happy to announce that the construction is about 80% done. We are continuing to believe God for the resources to complete phase 1 the beginning of summer.

Future BTTN Home



Many Blessings to all!!

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