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Dear MGF Family,

LuAnn and I had a great time in Mexico for the first two weeks of this month. I had planned—well before Covid 19 came to stay—to teach a block class at Calvary Chapel Bible College Mexico, where Shawn and Karen Coleman, and Tomas Luis serve as administrators. The course was the Minor Prophets,



focusing on how these twelve prophets, taken together, reveal the same themes as the rest of scripture and point to Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of God's grand design from creation to the visible establishment of Jesus' reign on earth (and beyond!).



It was very nice to be on a relatively secluded campus that, because of the practical isolation finds no need for the precautions that have transformed social interactions in society at large. Being able to speak face to face, and worship together—even with a bit of language barrier—made it very easy to quickly grow to love these Bible students, and taste the joy of what God is doing in each.

A particular highlight was being able to visit with some of the MGF missionaries on this highly focused trip. On the way down we were able to visit with Abraham and Sangeetha while we visited and shared a meal with Shan and Suba.





While we were at the school Shawn, Karen, Tomas and Luisa invited the other MGF missionaries in Baja California to come to an afternoon meal and get-together at Shawn and Karen's home off campus. We enjoyed seeing Luis and Cristina, and meeting Oliver and Rosa Zuñiga for the first time in person. It was also nice to see the kids getting to know each other as Darah and Sarah Romero

played with Sara and Esther Luis, and Joel Zuñiga.

Back at the office, it has taken me quite a while to catch up with correspondence, administrative duties and keeping abreast of the rapidly changing Covid situation. One of the recent changes to California law, is SB 1159, which Governor Newsom signed into law on September 17<sup>th</sup>. This requires every employer to report any time an employee is diagnosed with Covid. Because we don't all work in the same location, I very much need your help to comply with this regulation, which carries rather draconian penalties for failure to comply. If you have had Covid-19 since July, please let me know immediately, and if you should be diagnosed in the future, please let us know that also, as soon as possible.



One brighter expectation for the days ahead is the MGF Winter Conference. As you have heard from other emails, the MGF Board is picking up the cost for the missionaries that are able to attend this year, since we missed our chance to be together in August. Meeting at Ironwood should be a time of great fun and fellowship, and I hope you will be able to join us there. Please let the office staff know, as soon as you can, that you are planning to come.

May we each look closely with the eyes of loving faith toward our Savior, so that His life shines through us to those around us who sit in the darkness of fear or anger. He Who guides us through the trials of these days toward a truly glorious destiny is constantly at work in us and through us to extend hope to any who are willing to receive.

In the love of Jesus Christ,

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