

2024 August Newsletter
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**Beach Street CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ft. Worth, TX**

To all the saints at *Beach Street*, with the elders and deacons:

Dear brethren,

It is my prayer to God that all of you are well and safe. Trusting that this newsletter will give you an insight into the work I did during the month of August and my plans for the coming months.

Havana, Cuba in August.

I am glad to inform you that I had a successful trip to Havana, Cuba, visiting and encouraging the brethren. Due to known circumstances, this report is but a summary of my visit.

I traveled to Havana via Mexico City utilizing a new travel agency in Mexico City. It served me well throughout my trip – totally different from my last couple of efforts through the original travel agency. The Good Lord made my trip possible – greatly encouraged also by your support and prayers. The brethren expressed their personal thanks to you who have a part in the work I do and that helped to make the trip possible. They also expressed their thanks for the benevolent help that several individuals sent to them with me.



Suffice it to say, the living conditions of many Cubans are difficult to explain and understand.



Brethren are surviving with much difficulty. Christians of strong faith; determined to serve God and one another. My visits and studies served to give them courage. To remind all that our citizenship is in Heaven – regardless of where we live in this world of ours.

Shortly after my arrival in Havana, brother *Fausto*, a bachelor all his life, died a horrible death due to a sever case of diabetes and a lack of proper medical care. He was 56 years old. A good friend for many years and highly respected by the brethren. He is survived by a younger brother.

Brother *Aramis*, who fell and fractured his spinal cord some years ago, is doing well after suffering a stroke (First photo, Aramis with wife and daughter). Several others are not only suffering from physical infirmities, but from a lack of proper medical help. *Juan Carlos* and *Ibis* (Second photo), since my very first trips to Cuba, faithfully served me, escorting me from place to place.

Although you may never get to know the brethren in Havana, please remember them in your prayers.

Norhill church of Christ – Houston

Roland, our son, is working with the Norhill congregation near downtown Houston. The second week in August he traveled to Guadalajara, Mexico, to hold a gospel meeting. I filled in for Roland on Sunday, August 11th. When Roland returned from Guadalajara on Saturday, August 17th, he came down with Covid. I was back at Norhill on Sunday, August 18th and filled in again. Roland is well and back on his daily schedule.

Agua Prieta, Sonora in September

I will be traveling to **Agua Prieta, Sonora** (across the border from Douglas, Arizona) to hold a gospel meeting with the local church. A good friend, *William Centeno*, is the local evangelist. The meeting will be Wednesday through Sunday, September 11-15. I will have more information on this trip in my next report. Please remember this effort in your private and public prayers.

Remaining Preaching Trips & Gospel Meetings In 2024.

- **October 13th-16th**, I will be holding a gospel meeting (in English) with the **Oaks-West** church in **Burnet, Texas**.
- **November 3rd-8th**, I will be returning to **Guadalajara, Mexico**, preaching with the Gómez Farías congregation.
- **December 3rd-8th**, is the date I will be with the **Flagler Grove** Spanish-speaking congregation in **Miami, Florida**. My good friend, *Iván Palomino*, is the local evangelist.

In Conclusion.

Your concern, prayers and financial assistance are a real blessing to me and my family. We thank you for your concern, prayers and financial assistance. The Good Lord will surely continue to bless you, your families and the work you do.

In the love of Christ,
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