

Dear brothers in Christ, receive a cordial greeting:

Scripture tells us in 1 John 4: 7, "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God, and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God." We have witnessed the great love you have had for us, not only in Word but also in deeds; we can safely say that you have loved us that way; you are our great family of faith. Blessed be the Name of our Lord!

That is why I want to let you know our gratitude through these brief words through this letter. Thank you for your prayers, expressions of love throughout the offerings used to improve our building, and having a safer and more pleasant place to worship our Lord. Thank you for taking care of us at this time since we have seen its effects through the pandemic, whether for no meeting together to worship our Lord or for the economy, as some brothers lost their jobs or their salaries were reduced.

These times have been a challenge, particularly for me as a pastor, since I have been led to navigate through technological means to shepherd the brothers and convey the Word of God to them. The Lord has been good at giving wisdom and providing the necessary resources to face these challenges. We have seen the Lord's support when visiting the brothers' souls experiencing peace, their hearts have been encouraged, and I have seen how the Lord has placed in their hearts a desire to know more his Word. The Lord has led me to trust more in his power and Grace, to seek him, and to rest more in prayer and the power of his Word. We have been using the zoom platform with YouTube transmission during the week to have Bible studies, on Wednesdays we are teaching The Theology of the Church and on Saturdays The Doctrines of Grace; and on Sundays, we are broadcasting in worship on YouTube; Brothers Winston and Kristopher have been assisting with the weekday teachings. As a result of this, we have seen the reach that we have had to other people who did not know the Scriptures. We are working with a group of people, approximately 20, who will join the church membership, of which six are for baptism. We have also seen, with great sadness, some people leaving because of their sins, but even in this, we have seen our Lord's care and fidelity, treating us as his people.

As for the brothers who have been financially affected, the Lord used the donation that you sent to cover the basic needs that arose. By the Grace of the Lord, most of them have found stability in their jobs, although their economy is still a bit weakened since they are receiving 50%. (Grace Bible Church of Pleasant Hill, CA sent them a love offering of some funds)

We are not yet meeting in the building because of the restrictions which have been very severe in our canton (county). We can only meet for an hour, but many brothers find it challenging to move because most of them come from far away and have vehicle restrictions. In addition to this, we are facing a political crisis, which has led certain groups to take to the streets to make protests and roadblocks. We are looking for an

option to begin to congregate more freely and continue to broadcast the Sunday service simultaneously. A brother arranged his land and has been building a structure to meet us; at the end of October, we will be doing our best to meet in that place.

Finally, my family and I have found ourselves well. In our health, the Lord has kept us from diseases, in the economy the Lord has not lacked, he has sustained us, and in spirit, He has been our joy and strength. The Grace of the Lord has strengthened our marriage relationship; In raising our children, the Lord has given us his Grace to be able to take care of all of them. Remarkably to me, after my father's death, the Lord has been my comfort and strength.

Here are some of the things you can help us pray for:

1. Less severity by the State in the restrictions to congregate with more time in our building.
2. Since the protests have caused a hard time for people to mobilize to their places, pray for our country's political situation, which has caused problems, including the saints to congregate.
3. The 20 people who are interested in being part of the membership and wisdom for us and being able to guide them to Christ and his Word.
4. Economic providence and stable employment for the brothers who have been affected by the pandemic. Trust in the Lord and acceptance of the Lord's treatment of them.
5. Brothers Winston and Kristopher who are collaborating with the teaching, broadcasting worship services/Bible studies.
6. That we can soon congregate in the other place, which we have as an option.
7. Pray for the search of holiness, love of God's Word, and growth in faith.
8. My wife's pregnancy and the girl (Daniela Odilie Bustos Zelaya). The due day is December 7, 2020.
9. May the Lord continue to provide for the needs of our family.
10. Wisdom, patience, and love to continue strengthening our marriage and raising our children in the Word of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Grace and peace of the Lord, dear brothers.  
Bustos Zelaya family.