

News from the Conrads as they serve the Lord in Mexico

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Interesting Facts About Mexican Independence Day

+ Father Miquel Hidalgo was the leader in the Mexican war. He was also a priest.

+ During the celebration people also decorate their house. You can see the decorative products in the colors of red, green, and white.

+ El Grito de Dolores was celebrated on the 15<sup>th</sup> of September.

+ 'Viva Mexico!' is the common phrase that Mexicans use to express their love of the country.

+ The way people celebrate the Mexican Independence Day is similar to the way in which Americans celebrate the Fourth of July.

+ The event is celebrated throughout the country with family parties, food and parades.



## God's Mission in Mexico Continues Onward

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of September we said our goodbyes to missionary Tyler McMiller who is now serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic. His departure fills us with sadness. We are very thankful for the great ministry that he carried out during the time that he served in Mexico. At the same time we pray that God blesses abundantly his new missionary assignment.

One of the important goals that we have in Mexico is that of training national pastors. Another goal before us is that of training national deaconesses. To this end we have a training course scheduled for the first week of October. The deaconess candidates will study the epistles of St. Paul. We look forward to this conference that will increase their theological understanding as well as provide the opportunity for fellowship. We thank the members of the church, 'Todos los Santos', in Guadalajara, for their willingness to host this conference.

In Mexico City we have the headquarters for our 'Christ for All the Nations' office. (The Spanish equivalent: Cristo Para Todas las Naciones.) This program provides vital outreach in the local schools and throughout the metropolitan area. This outreach organization receives its support from Lutheran Hour Ministries. We give thanks for our Mexican nationals who staff this office and do the outreach.

In addition to his pastoral duties at San Pedro, Dan is teaching a study of the Gospel of St. John and another course on liturgy. Some of our deaconess candidates and pastoral candidates are involved in these classes.

Mexican Independence Day, commemorates 16 September 1810, when a parish priest named Miguel Hidalgo rang the church bells in the town of Dolores and called his parishioners to fight for independence. Today, the date is marked by parades, fairs, dancing, and fireworks.





### We Give Thanks For:

- ✖ Our partners in mission, who make God's mission in Mexico possible.
- ✖ Ana's recovery after her oral surgery.
- ✖ The ministry that Tyler McMiller carried out during his time in Mexico.
- ✖ Our missionaries in Latin America.
- ✖ The Luther Academy study conference.

### We Pray For:

- ✖ The upcoming Mexican deaconess study retreat.
- ✖ Adults who are in our confirmation classes.
- ✖ The students in Dan's liturgy class.
- ✖ The Mexican pastors who are in formation.
- ✖ More financial contributions that will help fund our mission.



## Personal Notes

Ana underwent a surgical procedure to remove a growth from her gum. We give thanks that all went well and she has fully recuperated. We have been working to get the house conditioned and we are just about done with all the repairs that have been needed. It seems that one thing after another crops up but we are finally getting everything under control.

Great things are happening in Mexico as national pastors are being trained and the Gospel is being proclaimed throughout Mexico. At this point however we are a bit behind with our missionary funding. Your funding makes our mission go forward. We give thanks to those who have made financial contributions to the mission and pray for your continued support. At the same time we also seek new partners that will help us in our funding so that our work in Mexico can continue.

Pray to see where the Lord might be leading you to partner with our mission. Together we partner with God to take the Gospel to the far ends of the earth. We thank you for your prayers and support!



*Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21)*

Soli Deo Gloria

*Dan, Kathy, and Ana*



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