

May the Lord Bless Your Lenten Season!



More Interesting Facts About Mexico

+ The official name of for Mexico is the United Mexican States.

+ There are 31 states in Mexico as well as the capital city (Mexico City).

+ The most popular sport in Mexico is football (soccer).

+ The highest mountain in Mexico is Pico de Orizaba, a dormant volcano that reaches 5,636 meters (18,491 ft.) above sea level.

+ Mexican food is known for its range of flavors and spices. Popular dishes include tacos, burritos and enchiladas.

Warm greetings from Mexico. We pray that the Lord blesses all of you abundantly during the present Lenten Season. All of our churches are in the midst of a busy Lenten schedule.

At the present time we have three Mexican national vicars serving at three different churches in Mexico City. All of them are doing a great job at their vicarage assignments and we give thanks to God for their presence among us. All of them are studying Greek under Dan and missionary Andrew Schlund. They are progressing well with their study of the Greek language.

One of the great challenges that we have before us in Mexico is that of training national pastors. Accordingly we give thanks for these vicars and pray to God that for more vicars in the future.

The Rev. Ted Krey, Latin American mission coordinator, and Rev. Edmund Auger, regional coordinator made a visit to Mexico from the 17th until the 20th of this month. A meeting took place between the Mexican national church council, the missionaries, the vicars, and the two coordinators. This meeting was very productive as we discussed theological education, the training program for the vicars, and support for the Lutheran Synod of Mexico. We give thanks to Rev. Krey and Rev. Auger for their visit! May the Lord bless their ministries abundantly!

San Pedro had a very good turnout for its Ash Wednesday service. The ashes remind us of penitence and of our own mortality. This congregation had never celebrated an Ash Wednesday service before. This particular service was the first of many Ash Wednesday services that will be celebrated in the coming years. This celebration that marks the beginning of the Lenten Season unites the Christians from all cultures and countries.





We Give Thanks For:

- ✠ Our partners in mission, who make God's mission in Mexico possible.
- ✠ The new missionaries that finished orientation.
- ✠ The Mexican vicars.
- ✠ The visit of Rev. Krey and Rev. Auger.
- ✠ The Luther Academy study conference.

We Pray For:

- ✠ All of our Latin American missionaries.
- ✠ Adults who are in our confirmation classes.
- ✠ The evangelism efforts of our Mexican churches.
- ✠ The Mexican pastors who are in formation.
- ✠ Our partner churches throughout the world.
- ✠ The council of the Lutheran Synod of Mexico.

Personal Notes

All of us are doing fine with regard to our health. Ana continues to have her appointment with her orthodontist every three weeks and everything is coming along well. The distance to the orthodontist is only 6 miles but the trip to his office takes over an hour due to the Mexico City traffic.

We have pretty much made the adjustment to the size of Mexico City. You have to figure in the factor of a lot of travel time to get anything done. Some of the people in Mexico City have to travel two hours to and from their workplace every day! Many of our members travel over an hour to get to church on Sunday.

Our efforts at gardening here in Mexico have been thwarted by our beloved four legged member of our family. Every time that we plant a new flower or bush, our dog digs them up. It looks like we will have to resort to hanging plants if we want them to survive.

We thank God for the mission in Mexico. Pray to see where the Lord might be leading you to donate to this mission. The Lord provides the funding for his missions through his local churches and its members. 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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