

Welcome Home!

# VOB NEWS ...

## "New Base - Same Mission"

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What a whirlwind since we last checked in. Our collage above, journals a bit of our recent adventures. We, our dogs, and horse, all arrived safely in North Carolina. We had an abundance of grace through the challenge of pulling a trailer, and having personal belongings transported. Our normal 4 day drive took 6 days, because we were so weighed down and could not drive any faster. The dogs sacked out in the back seat, give a good indication as to how we felt as well. We were so delighted to arrive, and were welcomed by a sign on our fridge from our dear friends. The welcome and kindness of our new community, continues to bless us. Also, having already been able to spend some time with our family for Mothers Day, little league ballgames, cousins wedding which Wayne officiated, birthday celebrations and of course being near for visits from great nephews, and our brand new great niece to our little farm, is a dream come true. There are also bugs to get used to again, living in the country. You have to cover up! Even the horses!

We anticipate how the Lord wants us and Voice of the Bride to serve in new ways, which glorify His name. Since Wayne has learned Spanish, not only will this continue to aide him in corresponding with our team and those we serve in Tijuana, but also the growing population of hispanic families now, here where Wayne grew up.

Speaking of Mexico and the "Compassion" arm of VOB, Manuel's surgery went very well! Thank you for praying for the correctional surgery on his feet and legs! He had to wear casts before and after the surgery, and they were just recently removed. And now he has physical therapy, helping him adjust to walking again. VOB is now raising funds to help Manuel's cousin, Alexandra, with some needed surgery for a blocked gland in her eye, causing compromise to her vision. We appreciate your prayers and support for this need. Let us know if you would like to help. What a blessing to aid those in need, with medical care they could never consider otherwise!

Wayne got to visit Manuel just before we left town. We took him some get well flowers. He was so surprised to be given flowers in his bed! It was really cute. We also visited his auntie Jasmin with flowers, having just given birth to a new baby girl. And finally, we visited our friend Amelia with some flowers, as she had just sadly lost her son Christian, who was killed in a situation still unclear. Christian was a kind young man who was trying to do better, but honestly the odds against him in his circumstances, made rehabilitation challenging. A smile on Wayne's face hoped to encourage our dear friend of many years, Amelia, who has suffered much in her life. Wayne's last day visiting TJ was a "see ya later" visit, not a forever goodbye visit.

On the "Worship" arm front, Carol recently led worship, along with others, for a 24 hr online worship gathering sponsored by Global Tabernacle of David. This was a very powerful time, and several nations were represented, as well as several First Nations North American friends and one of our young worship leader friends in Mexico. Also thanks to our godsons Jordan (who led a set) and Zachary for helping Carol get all the wifi and equipment tech side of things set up in our move aftermath. VOB is thankful to be able to facilitate others being involved in a very meaningful worship and prayer ministrv. GtoD. Praise the Lord!!

