



THANKFUL

Even if the traditional USA Thanksgiving Day has long passed, every season is a wonderful time to be thankful.

A friend recently reminded me of 1st Thessalonians 5:16-18! What a beautiful way to live. My heart yearns to have joy in the Lord flow through me every moment, be in constant prayerful communion with God joined with a sincerely appreciative heart that can ooze with real expression through even the toughest situations. Oh, that I could walk in our Father's perfect desire for us in this way. Even if I

fail at these verses; I would rather at least attempt it or take steps to be a more joy-filled, prayerful, and

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV
16 Rejoice always, 17 pray continually, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

thankful person. I'm sure our Lord clearly knows we will miss the mark at this one...but it's worth trying. The Lord's will for us to be joy-filled, prayed up and filled with thanksgiving cannot always be out of reach.

I admire Brother Lawrence's ambition to make every moment a divine one, in communion with our Savior. **Will you also join me in this worthy pursuit to put these verses into practice?** Continue

reading, as we share news of joy, prayer, and thankfulness, from Querétaro, México.

REJOICE ALWAYS!

We rejoice because of God's unique timing. He brought Jesed Nueva Vida's first child on August 4th. That same week we were scrambling to get everything ready to receive a mission team of 19 people. We have been praying for God to hand pick and bring us the children HE would like for Jesed to care for and at the exact time He wanted.

At that time, in my mind, I thought, WHY NOW? We later found out that if this child hadn't already been in Jesed's care, the Mexican Child Services (DIF) may have severed the mother's rights if the child remained as she was when they received a report.

Thankful in every situation



CARRILLO SIBLINGS

We want to give thanks in all circumstances... even when it's not easy. Recently, Jose's brother Jesse, passed away at the young age of 59. We are thankful he is no longer suffering, and he got to leave this earth at home cared for by his wife and adult children. We are thankful that Jose's sister Delia, at age 53, was successfully able to receive a lung transplant over a month ago. She can now breathe with no extra oxygen and is recuperating well. Please pray for the Carrillos' health.

Will you join us in prayer for this child to eventually, in GOD's timing, be re-united with her mother in a healthy way?



We are so thankful for a successful Vacation Bible School and mission team visit in August. Numerous church members stepped up to give many hours and much creativity to make the VBS a great success. We were able to serve 65 children. **Each child was given an opportunity to encounter Jesus as the most important hidden treasure.** The new Jesed child even began to participate with great enthusiasm in the

choreographed VBS songs. Now after 4 months of major adjustments for our family and for the child, we have begun to feel more accustomed to caring full time for the new Jesed child. We see that she is more comfortable and growing to obey and be kind.



Pray continually!

Please continue to keep Jesed Nueva Vida IAP in your prayers. Most importantly, please **keep praying that God would bring Jesed the children HE would like to be rescued and the families He would like to be restored.**

REJOICE with us that Iglesia Comunidad Nueva Vida, San Jose el Alto, celebrated its **12-year anniversary this October!** We have been blessed to receive a wonderful

family into Nueva Vida. **The Saucedo family are now helping to pastorally lead the Nueva Vida congregation in San Jose el Alto.** José will continue in church leadership as an associate pastor under Pastor Alexis. This relieves José of many of his responsibilities for the church and allows him to focus on all the administrative needs of Jesed Nueva Vida.

Pray also for administration permits to go through in the civil government office here in Querétaro, México for the orphanage building. Jesed Nueva Vida just celebrated it's second birthday on December 13th, as an organization, we ask that you keep praying for us in leadership to have wisdom with visitors, staff, training **and of course for the care given to rescue children and strengthen families.**

We continue to celebrate 10 years serving here in Querétaro, México with Iglesia Comunidad Nueva Vida and now also with Jesed Nueva Vida. **We`re most excited to celebrate our Lord Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us who has been the sustainer for us all these years.** HE is the reason for us being here in México and doing all that we do. In this special **CHRISTmas** season, it is a perfect time to continue with the opening verses mentioned. **Keep on**

rejoicing, praying, and practicing thankfulness, following Jesus` s example of humble humanity yet never disconnected divinity! Blessings to you all now and in the New Year!

*Rejoicing, praying and thankful,
José & Joann Carrillo*

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As missionaries serving in full time ministry, we have learned to embrace new family, friends and food that are not from our home country. We are blessed to participate in what God has allowed us to be a part of here in Querétaro, México. We want to lift our Heavenly Father high in how He has worked! Please join us to celebrate these 10 years!



May 17, 2015--New Life Community Church Midway prayed for us and commissioned us to serve as missionaries in Querétaro, México.



May 29, 2015—was our first day here! We thank God for Ricardo Peña who helped José during his first drive from Dallas, TX all the way to Querétaro in central México. We truly appreciate the great welcome from the Iglesia Comunidad Nueva Vida family who helped us settle here.



June 21, 2015—Father's Day, marked the first



Sunday Tomás and Paty started consistently attending Nueva Vida. They became the first couple in Querétaro who we mentored. They were both baptized and have served in leadership roles with Nueva Vida San José el Alto. We celebrate that they also have gone on to disciple others to grow spiritually and take the step of baptism.

Opportunities for discipleship have been one of the greatest challenges and greatest joys.



All the way back to our very first trip to Querétaro in November 2012, we felt God leading us to move into the Las Margaritas marginalized community here in San José el Alto.



October 2, 2017--We moved to Las Margaritas. After two years of connecting with community members the door miraculously opened for us to live and serve there. With all the risks of entering a neighborhood full of robbery, violence, drug and alcohol abuse, poverty, devastating fires and floods and family disfunction and threats, the experience and relationships we gained are totally worth it.



José was quickly named Pastor (even by those who don't attend the church) because of the way he truly has looked out for those in need in the community. We praise God for the blessing to see lives transformed. The first family living in Las Margaritas, we connected with for discipleship, were trapped in alcoholism and co-dependance. After a long hard journey, this couple and their family are now surrendered to Jesus as their LORD and Savior! This has reunited them as a couple, given peace and stability to their family. Now their adult children along with their grandchildren are following Jesus in their own lives. We praise God for His work in the lives of Ruperto and Anastasia.





NOVEMBER 2019—José accepted the role as lead pastor at Iglesia Comunidad Nueva Vida in San José el Alto. Having the spiritual responsibility to look after the congregation has been a huge growing experience for José. He has been preaching edifying sermons weekly, delegating church tasks, dealing

with confrontations and leading an elder team. It is a humble blessing to allow God to use us as His instruments to encourage others to grow in their personal relationships with God! The time-consuming meetings, calls, Bible study and personal investment show fruit when we see people come to know the LORD Jesus as their Savior and walk devoted lives in Christ!



SEPTEMBER 15, 2021—Iglesia Comunidad Nueva Vida had our first Spiritual Encounter Retreat. Over 80 men, women and children attended the retreat at a campground. God released people from bondage of sin into freedom through Christ. Some people name that retreat as the new beginning of their walk spiritually.



Please **prayerfully consider partnering** with us by prayer and financial support for **Jesed Nueva Vida** or for our family as missionaries.

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DECEMBER 13, 2023—After almost 20 years of prayer, José's vision to care for fatherless children in México started. Jesed Nueva Vida IAP, a center to care for fatherless children and restore families, was born! We have worked through tons of Mexican



legal documents and financial obligations. All this work was recognized when Jesed Nueva Vida was awarded a certificated of completion of obligations to Mexican law. As of August 2025, Jesed Nueva Vida IAP is operationally active.

In closing, we truly praise God for each one of you who have prayed for us throughout these years! Your prayer support is vital. You have also participated in His work! Many of you have financially contributed for us to continue to serve full time as



missionaries. Your faithful and sacrificial giving has been phenomenal. Over the years your support has allowed us to dedicate ourselves to full-time ministry here in Querétaro, México with New Life Community Church and Jesed Nueva Vida IAP.



Now, we press on, into the purposes God has for us for the next 10 years. We're excited about what God has in store for us in the future.

Love in Christ, José y Joann Carrillo