

May 15, 2025

Dear Pastor and praying friends,

Mother's Day

"Her children arise up, and call her blessed;" Yesterday we celebrated Mother's Day by honoring the moms in our service and presented each one with a potted flower afterwards. We are grateful for all the moms that we have in our church.

The week after our last prayer letter went out, DeAnna's mom suffered a stroke. DeAnna was able to make it home to see her before she passed away on March 24, although her mom was unresponsive. We are thankful that her mom had made a

profession of faith many years ago. Our two sons and I were able to join DeAnna in North Dakota for the funeral. Please keep her dad, Garold Just, in prayer as he transitions to assisted living in July.

Easter Service

During our midweek service before Easter, we walked through the last week of Jesus' earthly ministry. We closed our service with the Lord's Supper. We began Easter morning by having our third annual Easter breakfast. I would call it a sunrise breakfast, but the sun had already been up for a couple of hours. We had a wonderful turnout this year for the breakfast and even had some visitors join us. By the time the morning service started, our parking lot was full, and people had to park along the road. We had a great day celebrating the resurrection of our Lord.



Bible Study

We continue with our men's and women's Bible studies. The men have just recently finished our first twelve-week study. We had as many as eight men and as few as four for the weekly Bible studies. It is always good to hear the men share their stories. They are very open about sharing their challenges and the struggles they face in the Christian life. Personally, I enjoy the interaction with the men and getting to know them on a deeper level.

Goodbye

This past Sunday we said goodbye to Sarah who has been attending our church. She is retiring from the Navy and moving back to the States. Sarah was such a blessing in our church helping with the children's ministry and wherever needed, but what we will miss most about Sarah is her upbeat spirit. She always added that ingredient of joy and happiness when she was here.

We would like to thank all our praying friends and supporting churches for your faithfulness. It is always a blessing to receive email or texts from those telling us that they are praying for us. We are able to serve our military here in Spain because of your faithful support.

In Christ,

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