



*Florentino & Carmen*



**Serving in Morelos, Mexico**

July-August 2023,

Dear Pastor and Church family,

We are hoping that you are growing in the grace and knowledge of our great God and Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank God last August 13, my wife Carmen and I celebrated 37 years of marriage. All these years, with His help and by His grace, we have been involved in the ministry to which He has called us.

Because of the pandemic and government restrictions, we had to suspend services in the mission we had started in the city of Jojutla, Morelos but we have already resumed them thanks to God, and we are very excited waiting for what God will continue to do in that place.

I had the privilege of preaching the Word of God at the closing of the Youth Camp that some of our sister churches organized. Our prayer was that the Lord would call workers to his harvest and Glory to God! at the invitation about 30 young people surrendered their lives to serve the Lord.

In spite of the struggles and problems, Open Door Baptist Church continues to move forward: As you may remember, because of threats we received, we had to abandon our facilities. Unfortunately, the situation of violence and danger continues to increase, in our state and in the country. I ask for your prayers for us, that the Lord will give us wisdom and guidance in everything, particularly in the area of knowing whether to return to our facilities or continue to wait for them to be sold, to buy and build somewhere else.

Although we have a problem, in the area where we want to buy, the square meter of land costs \$3000 mxn pesos (about \$180 US dollars) and only a miracle of the Lord will make it possible.

On the 23rd of this month (God willing) I will be celebrating 60 years old. I give many thanks to the Lord, because almost two thirds of my life, He has given me the privilege of serving Him in His work.

I thank you infinitely for the love you have for the Lord and his Missionary Work, in spite of the time of not seeing each other and some of you not even knowing us, you continue to pray and support us financially. May our God bless you greatly.



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Revelation 3:8



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