

Fernando and Carolyn Torres
Missionaries to Spain



May and June 2010

Dear Pastor McCormick and Friends,

Carolyn and I first of all, want to thank you for your prayers on behalf of Carolyn's health. In May she had cataract surgery on her right eye and was able to recover 80% of her vision. She is now waiting for the hospital to call her to do her left eye. Her other health problems are on going battle with the doctors and hospital. Either the doctor is on vacation or the appointment book is full and she is taking medicine that should be controlled this is the negative side of socialized medicine. We have recently gone to a private Doctor to make sure the meds are not causing any damage.

As for my health, I am feeling great I just have to get all my errands and visits done before it really gets hot, I then come home and stay in my office with the fan on me and work and study. Then in the evening when the sun goes Carolyn and I are out again. The last visit with the neurologist was encouraging because my Miasemis Gravis hasn't gotten worst and with the new vitamins that Carolyn is giving me I have more energy.

MAY: As we had mentioned in our last letter we were trying to find a location where we could start a feeding centre. We also had the backing of the City Hall, the Red Cross, Social Services, and a number of private restaurants. The Red Cross offered to let us use the top floor of their building, which at the time seemed to be fantastic. But then we had the health inspector come from Valencia (the capital of our province) and oh boy the things he said that we would have to do just make it ready. Add two handicap bathrooms, even though there is one on the first floor. Extend the elevator from the second floor to the third and that the kitchen, on the first floor, had to be remodel, or better yet add one on the third floor. Wow, we just wanted to feed the needy not start a Mexican restaurant, oh well we still feel that this is of the Lord, so we are praying and looking for His leading. In the mean time with the help of the city and many of the people in our church we are meeting families that need help and are taking them food and items that they need. It has also been a great opening to bring them the Word of God and show them His love for them. In fact I think this way works better, more personal and it's easier one on one. I guess we were looking at the big picture. In the future if the Lord gives us the opportunity to start the feeding center, we will be ready.

JUNE: Because of the bad weather that we had in May and June we were unable to have any baptisms but now that the weather has really warmed up we are looking forward to baptizing 6 adults and 3 children in mid July. We have had such a growth that we have separated the young people into two groups. One is high school age 12-17 years old. The other group is from 18-24. In Spain young people, JOVENES, are from 15-30, before we had just a couple high school age and more in the older group and tried to do something with them both. But now we have more high school age than single adults. Our church is growing by leaps and bounds.

Our church is at the point again where we need more room and so we have started looking at all possibilities from restaurants, and private homes that are for sale and could be remodeled to perhaps an industrial building that we could convert into a nice church building. Plus this would also give us two floors to work with and because we have an architect in the church this would save us lots of money. *So to buy* is the vision that we have and we are praying that the Lord will supply the location and funds.

Thanks to the ad that we have in the local magazine we have had two more families visit and joy the church. Also now that summer and vacationers are here we are starting to have visitors from other parts of Spain and some other countries. These visitors have always been a special joy to our church because they bring part of their culture with them and it's nice to hear what is happening in other churches in Europe.

We thank you again with grateful hearts for being always there for us and our ministry here in Spain. May God richly bless you and keep you in His protection,

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