



Mexico Mission Churches

Church Extension Update

The Bible Fellowship Church in Mexico is growing! Here is an update on the four works:

Tapachula

In October 2019, when Immer Molina moved 700 miles back home to Tapachula after living in Merida and attending La Roca de Merida BFC, he decided to gather some young adults for a Bible study in his home. The Bible study continued to grow even while meeting virtually during the COVID shutdowns. Immer asked Daniel Solorzano to help with the Bible teaching and both the men met over Skype with Pastor Marcos Ramirez to learn homiletics and deeper Bible training. **Soon, Immer and his wife, Aidil's, home was overflowing and they were ready to start meeting on Sundays.** They found a meeting space which they



Church Planter Immer Molina takes a selfie with the Bible study group in his home in 2020.

outgrew and then they outgrew the next space as well. Just a few months ago, they secured a building which they renovated and are thoroughly enjoying to God's glory.

The gospel is dearly needed in Tapachula. There are many churches who preach a false prosperity gospel. They need the truth about who Jesus is and how He loves them and offers salvation, a free gift. Immer is on his way to becoming an ordained BFC minister having completed the first round of testing towards ordination.



Tapachula BFC Mission Church, August 2022, in their newly renovated rented building for worship. Immer Molina is in the back row, glasses and dark shirt

Villa Magna, Mexico

On September 25, a number of attenders of Villa Magna del Sur Mission Church were baptized by Church Planter Freddy Chi and Pastor Marcos Ramirez. This was a day of celebration of how the Lord continues to work in Villa Magna. Although there have been setbacks in the past due to COVID shutdowns and extreme heat effecting attendance in the summer months, there is good momentum and God is at work in Villa Magna. Freddy's wife, Nury, leads a women's group for discipleship. Freddy organized music lessons at the church. Maru, a man from the church plant, teaches the lessons in hope that a worship team will be formed. Freddy Chi sends in Prayer Ticker prayer requests regularly which reveal he has many gospel conversations with people in the community as well as opportunities for discipleship.



Church Planter Freddy Chi, his wife, Nury, and their three children

La Roca de Merida

Pastor Marcos Ramirez from La Roca de Merida BFC continues to serve as the Director of Church Planting in Mexico. He has been connected with the BFC for almost 20 years. In 2006, Pastor Marcos Ramirez read an article in *The Antiochan* weekly email about the benefits of church interdependence which a denomina-

tion can bring. From there, he reached out to David Gundrum, attended BFC Conference, and worked with the Joint Committee on Ethnic Church Planting to connect with the BFC. They came in as a particular church in 2008. **La Roca de Merida fully demonstrates a heart for multiplication, not just from Pastor Marcos, but from the people as well** as demonstrated by the works in Tapachula, Villa Magna, and Juan Pablo II.

Juan Pablo II, Merida

In 2015, Zulma González, member of the La Roca Church, started a Bible study with some women from her neighborhood, located in the Juan Pablo II section of the city of Mérida. After a while, she asked the church's elders for wisdom and direction with this group. It was suggested to invite the husbands of the women and start a family Bible study group. **The group continued to group until about 35 people were gathering and the elders were ready to have this group launch into a church plant with Sunday morning worship.** Then COVID shutdown happened and gathering ceased. Currently, Brother José Manuel (elder) and Marco Aqué (member of La Roca) who live in that neighborhood have been leading the Bible study with a considerably reduced group of 12-15 people. The elders have decided to continue inviting new people and previous attenders and to seek the direction of the Lord regarding this work.

Prayer and Support

The church planters in Mexico are supported the same way our USA church planters are supported: by churches and individuals who are led by the Lord. **Please pray for Immer Molina, Freddy Chi, and Marcos Ramirez as they serve the Lord, that He would meet their needs.** Marcos Ramirez and Freddy Chi are currently in need of support. Immer Molina is looking for pledged support for 2023 as he transitions from bivocational to full-time planting.

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