

Dear Co-Laborers:

I pray that during this time of the pandemic, you've been able to rest and spend more time with the Lord as we were all quarantined at home. I also pray that as our nation is opening back up, you and your family remains safe and well.

This newsletter has a bit of a different feel than previous ones. We have chosen to do as the Lord has commanded of us in 1 Thessalonians 5:18 -"Give thanks in all circumstances; as this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

My hope is that as you read this newsletter, you are blessed by the testimonies.

"Good afternoon. When this problem of the pandemic started, we were all afraid and uncertain of what was to come, even in regards to our jobs. I am extremely grateful to the ministry under Sister Carmen's direction, for putting our health and our family's health as priority. We were able to quarantine at home, stay safe and still continue receiving our pay. At any other job, we get paid when we work, but if we don't work, we don't get paid. I am so grateful that I was able to continue to receive my salary as I worked from home, making calls and praying for the church family and our students. I feel unworthy of this blessing, but I thank God and everyone at Hands of Luke for blessing me and my family this way. "

--Pastor Gerardo Aguirre, Pavo Real Pastor and Director of Bible Institute

"I am grateful to the Lord for his Blessings. 9 of my family members and I were diagnosed with COVID-19. As a single woman, I don't have anyone else to depend on financially. Due to the quarantine and my illness, I was unable to work and I didn't know how I was going to pay my bills. I was reminded of Deuteronomy 4:31 that says, "For the Lord your God is a merciful God." Through Hands of Luke, God has continued to provide for me. All I can say is thank you to all of you for your support."

--Ana Arredondo, Children's Home Psychologist

"I am a pastor from Honduras that had to flee my country for mine and my family's safety. We are living at Conquista Mercy Homes in Juarez. We have been here for 6 months. I join in prayer daily with my fellow Christians who also live here, to pray for Sister Carmen and for all the persons and families that work and contribute to this ministry. I am thankful to the Lord as it is because of him and you that we have a place to live, food to eat and have our basic needs met. I am very thankful to all of you that make this possible."

--Pastor Guillermo Murillo

As you can see, the Lord has continued to bless us here at Hands of Luke and in turn, we are able to bless those we serve. All staff was able to receive their pay even though some were unable to present to work due to the quarantine. We are all blessed by the Lord and through you. We are so thankful that we serve a God that never leaves us nor forsakes us.