

BARILLARO FAMILY

Mexicali, Mexico

January Update

Sorry for such a long delay on this update. Many holiday events and activities kept us busy at the close of the year and then somebody cut the phone cable on our street, leaving us without phone lines for many days. We wanted to send a video clip of some events we did and our Christmas drama presentation but we just couldn't get it together this time. Well, enough excuses. We were really blessed to be able to do some children's events, one down town for the children of prisoners' families and one for the children here in the Colonia and then a Christmas presentation which was a real hit, touching many hearts.

We feel that the Lord is leading us to do some new things for 2012. We are working on putting our services on Internet to reach out to those who are yet hesitant to enter the doors of our church. We are also looking at starting a church in another colonia called Santo Niño. We have done events there in the past and will be doing an event this Saturday with Morningstar. Please pray that God would direct us in the steps we are to take. Santo Niño is almost an hour from our church here and has an abundance of children left to themselves roaming the streets--John is calling them his disciples. We have also decided to cut our personal financial support given to us by our sending church as missionaries, trusting that the Lord will provide for us through the church here. Pray that our faith will stand in what the Lord has called us to do.

Thank you for your prayers. We are so looking forward to ministering with you guys this up and coming weekend.

God bless you,
John, Laurie, Dawn and Brandi