



## FEBRUARY- MARCH, 2012 NEWSLETTER

Dear Praying Friends,

**FAMILY NEWS:** On Monday, January 9, Jonathan Dale Ashcraft, Jr., and Tommy Dale Ashcraft II (what a great honor!) were born to our son Jonathan and his wife, Jenny. They are beautiful and healthy babies. Jenny is doing fine, although she did have gall-bladder surgery on Friday, January 27. Please pray for the finances to finish paying for the medical expenses related to Jenny's surgery. It was a thrill to be able to dedicate Jonathan and Tommy, as well as Sarah Elizabeth, the four-month-old baby of our son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Ruth. I was somehow able to hold all three babies as we prayed over them and their parents!

I must once again ask that you pray for Brenda's health. She remains as active as she can, but is in constant pain. She was in the hospital last week for extensive testing due to complications concerning Systemic Lupus Erythematosus which she has battled for the last 10 years. She has complicated back problems as well. Her only "complaint" is that she can't do all she wants to do. As it is, she does more than I think I could do if I had her pain.

**RADIO PROGRAM NEWS:** We have mentioned before that we have a one-hour radio program at 9:00 p.m. every Friday. Jonathan oversees the program which contains two sermons on salvation. We receive many calls during the program from people who receive Christ as their personal Saviour. Last night, 25 people called the radio station for salvation. Recently a young man named Manuel who had heard the program attended church. He made his profession of faith and was baptized. Two weeks ago he led his first soul to Christ, and last Saturday won four more people on bus visitation.

**NATIONAL PASTORS' CONFERENCE NEWS:** Praise the Lord! What a great Pastors' and Workers' Conference God gave us last month! Over 1,500 attended the evening services. On Wednesday morning, we took 600 people soul-winning. There were 502 people who heard a personal presentation of the plan of salvation and responded receiving Christ as their personal Savior!

102 preachers attended from 49 cities, 17 Mexican states and six countries. 52 people surrendered their lives for full-time service. Twelve of them are members of our church. We say this almost every year, but it seems that everyone agrees that it was the best conference we have ever had. Scores of our people worked very hard in preparation for this conference, and then during the week to make it possible. I counted 20 different areas in which our people worked before, during and after the conference. Some took a week of their vacations to serve.

There were ten sermons and 56 teaching sessions given by 21 different people: eight were guest speakers and the rest were assistants and lay people from our church. There were sessions for preachers, laymen, ladies, young people, and preachers' kids. All of those who taught and preached agreed that there was an unusually receptive spirit among the delegates.

Last night Bro. Iván Ramírez, our financial manager, informed me that all the bills are paid, and there are no outstanding accounts related to the conference. Praise the Lord! This is due in part to the help we received from my dear friend, Dr. Elmer Fernández. The ministry he directs gave over \$ 3,000.00 of the \$ 12,000.00 of the total expenses of the conference. Thank you, Bro. Fernández, and to all the folks who generously contribute to the ministry of "Fires of Evangelism".

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. Without your help, we would not be able to report these results.

Yours for souls,  
*Tommy Ashcraft*