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*But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.*

*Psalms 13:5*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*

*Psalms 23:6*

*But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.*

*Psalms 52:8*

In the person of the Son of God, Jesus Christ, we have received great and abundant Mercy. Forgiveness, salvation, strength and eternal hope are ours and for all who believe and trust in HIM. Day after day, week after week, we see this Mercy flowing upon our lives.

**Alfredo Arce** has seen the mercy of the Lord at work in his life since a very young age. He came to know the Lord as a young child in **Cintalapa, Chiapas** and when he was about thirteen, he began to learn how to teach other children using flannel graph materials and how to lead Bible Clubs for children. He came to study here at the Bible School in 1981. After he graduated, he came on staff to help with Children's ministries in 1985. So for over thirty years, he has been serving the Lord with a special emphasis on working with children and leading the Christian Education department of the School. He is also our Missions and Children Ministries coordinator here at MITC. Especially during the summer months, his days are filled with the joy of serving the Lord among the "little ones". This July, Arce arranged for our second year students to go out in teams into the mountains, to serve in churches among our Chinanateco and Cuiacateco speaking brethren. There, the students held week long Vacation Bible Schools in ten different locations. Arce himself, aided by a group of girls from **Bible Chapel of Delhi Hills**, also held a **VBS** here on campus for the children in our neighborhood. This is a very special time of planting the Word of God in their hearts, as most of the eighty plus kids that came to the classes come from non-believing households. About sixteen mothers (who wanted to see what their children were getting into) came each day and received special classes, (crafts, Bible study, cooking) while their children received the Gospel in VBS. We are thankful



**Alfredo Arce**

for the gifts the Lord has given us, as seen in brother Arce, as he shows the love and mercy of the Lord while serving the children. **Alfredo** also held a week of VBS in the village of **Vega del Sol**. The Lord continues to work among the brethren there in a mighty way. During this week, they had over one hundred boys and girls for the classes. All the church was involved in the activities: cooking, serving and taking care of the children. Praise the Lord for His mercy upon this local fellowship. For the closing day of the week, the church building in **Vega** was overflowing with people, adults, children, parents from non-believing households, etc. Praise the Lord.

The team from Bible Chapel of Delhi Hills led by Pastor **Kevin Landis** and coordinated by **Dan Stout**, helped staff our on campus VBS assisting brother Arce. They also continued with ongoing construction projects and helped us prepare for our Summer Youth Camp. These brethren from **Ohio** came and served the Lord with great love and zeal. Pastor Kevin was a special blessing as he preached the Word in several of the local area churches. Also during their stay, they visited the mission church at **Playa Maria**. This work started almost two years ago after tremendous flooding in the area and in a great part of the **State of Veracruz**. The Lord used MITC and the brethren of **Belen Church**, led by Pastor **Moises Torres**, to take food supplies and clothes to the people who had lost all their material possessions. Now there is a mission church, thirteen baptized believers in Christ and many others who are being touched by the Word of God's mercy in Christ Jesus. Once again, God uses what to us seems a disaster, to bring blessing and eternal life to a whole area. This area of the **Papaloapan** region in Veracruz is famous for its darkness and immorality, but God in His Great Mercy has changed the story in many lives!

Once again, we saw the Mercy of the Lord shed upon many lives during our twentieth annual **Summer Youth Camp**. The Lord mightily used **Jimmy Vazquez** (our camp director), and our third year Bible students to staff the camp, teaming up with Pastor **Danny Giltner** from **Florida** and his youth group for this important ministry. We had one hundred eighty plus youth here for a five day intense time of Bible teaching, object lessons, sports activities and of course, fun. The blessings of the Lord were abundant upon the week and many kids were touched by the Word of God preached by Pastor Danny, and during the



**Danny Giltner and Youth Group**

times of "one on one" sharing with our student counselors. We hope to see some of these young people back as full time Bible Students in the upcoming school year. The youth from Florida helped with cooking, cleaning, and drama presentations. Their efforts are always a great help and we thank the Lord for them.

Again this year, **Lamar Nelson** headed up the group from **Louisiana** that came and served the Lord among us. Each time Lamar comes, we are reminded of the faithfulness and mercy of our Lord from generation to generation. Lamar's mother, **Mrs. Audna Nelson**, was one of the first secretaries for MITC, over forty-five years ago. Her love for the Lord Jesus and for His work here in Mexico has now been passed on to her son, who has been bringing groups down to serve the Lord for almost a decade. Lamar's team



**George, Lamar Nelson, Danny and Alfredo**

helped Pastor **Fernando**, his wife **Tere** and **Anita Garcia**, with the VBS at the church in **EL Pochote**. We are amazed at the doors the Lord opens through this time of teaching to children. As many of you know, it has been very difficult to share the Gospel in this area, but the Lord has called people out of all kinds of darkness, idolatry and superstition to come to believe in Christ and know His mercy. So during this special week of activities for the children, many parents came from unbelieving households to hear the simple message of Christ, as it was presented from Old Testament types and figures to the children. Doors have now opened in several more homes, as these visitors want to study and learn more of the Scriptures. Pray for the Lord's abounding mercies upon those in El Pochote and for Pastor Fernando as he faithfully proclaims the message of Christ.

We are grateful to the Lord for each of you, who pray, love and support the work among us here in Mexico. We are thankful to you for giving of yourselves, as this makes it possible for us to be here in Cordoba. May the Lord's mercy and goodness follow you all the days of your life and for evermore, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Dan and Chuy Hall**



**VBS Kids at MITC**

**A Reminder.....**Those who wish to receive the MITC Prayer Letter via e-mail, may do so by contacting Chadra Giddens in the MITC office [mitcenter@bellsouth.net](mailto:mitcenter@bellsouth.net) or **318-686-9380**. We continually strive to keep administrative cost and postage to a minimum, thereby allowing approximately 90% of the incoming support to go to Mexico.

Thank you and may God richly bless you.

David J. Bryant  
Executive Director

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