

## **Introduction to Mission to Mexico**

In January of 1983 I was just a baby as pertains to being a Christian. I had met the Lord 3 years earlier, and gave my heart to Him. I was so willing to go anywhere He led me; and this was only a baby step in my walk with Jesus.

I experienced first hand the struggles a Christian goes through to do good in the world. But I also saw how God works through His people, and through every event, to accomplish His will.

January of 83 was the month I began Spanish lessons at TCJC, but not until a few days after I returned from Mexico. Now I've had 3 semesters of Spanish, and I even memorized The Sermon on the Mount in Spanish.

It is now 23 years past this event. I have walked with God for a little over 26 years. He has taken me places where no man has gone. I have done things others can only dream about doing. And I have done nothing under my own power, but only with the strength that is obtained from being plugged into the ultimate power source. Now I believe we are virtually unlimited in what we can do when we belong to God.

Over the years our situations have changed. I don't know what has become of Enrique Ortiz, and I've heard little about Doug Pace. They were the two guys who were with me on this mission. I have no doubt that their lives have been enriched as mine has at having taken this trip to Mexico. If I ever see Enrique again maybe we can go to Huizache and I'll do a presentation of The Sermon on the Mount in Spanish for the people who live below the Sierra Madres.

There at the foot of the mountains I first experienced the smile of God. A second time, some years later, God smiled at me with His rainbow. At that time it was a double rainbow. It was like He was saying, "That's two, Wes." But God has smiled at me many times in many different ways, and has performed miracles in my life. I wouldn't trade my life with God for all the gold in California.

Mission to Mexico is a brief account of one event in the lives of three young men who gave their hearts to God. Take a look at what we experienced and determine for yourself what part God played in the drama. He will do wonders in the lives of all who belong wholeheartedly to Him.