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Celebrating what God Has Done

For this quarterly newsletter we will be rejoicing for the goodness of God and sharing pictures of the expanding ministry and outreaches just as we always do. But this edition; we are also taking a moment to share the beginnings of the ministry and honor it's founders: Walt and Eva Langston. Pictures of them are included in honor of their sacrifice, love, and perseverance in the early years of ministry when they founded mountain churches while living in the back of their pickup; determined to share the love of Jesus to those remote areas.

Walt and Eva's love and devotion for God was poured into their ministry. For the many years that they submitted their lives to the calling of God and the building of Extensions of Jesus we just wanted to say "thank you" and we know that there are unimaginable rewards in heaven. Please continue to pray for Eva and the family as she slips into late-stage Alzheimer's and is no longer able to speak or recognize those who visit.

A lasting legacy of the ministry of Extensions of Jesus remains as autonomous churches that Walt and Eva started remain active in their communities today with their own faithful pastors and congregations. They are still in fellowship with this ministry and benefiting from the love and support of Extensions of Jesus as well as their home church; Oasis of Love in San Luis Potosi. Over the years since Sammy and Martha have assumed leadership; the ministry continues to grow and thrive without sacrificing the love and attention to those early churches founded by Walt and Eva.

<u>Please pray earnestly</u> for Sammy, Martha, Abril, and Suri. Additional security measures were needed recently for their home after an attempted break in. (Sammy said hundreds of dollars were needed to reinforce their home with better locks, welded metal bars over windows, doors, and even the roof, since the roof is where they tried to access entrance to their house.) Kidnappings in their area are on the rise as well; making it unsafe for Abril to drive herself to the university and walk alone from her car. Sammy drives her there early in the morning, and then returns to pick up Suri for school.

As ministry continues to grow with responsibilities and ministry requests; additional travel to other churches and communities

will be needed this year. God has raised up capable associates at Oasis of Love to preach and teach; making this possible.

Today, there are even more churches to visit; more leadership and marriage seminars to teach; more outreaches with gifts for the children and food for the families; hospital outreaches; and a school for the deaf to help and support in the remote Otomis community. Praise God, as He will build his church, and the gates of hell will not prevail against it.

GIVING OUT "SHOE BOX" GIFTS FOR KIDS



PROVIDING FOOD FOR THE FAMILIES



TEACHING MARRIAGE SEMINARS



Some history about the ministry:



Walt and Eva Langston, with Sammy





Eva ministering on one of her last visits to Mexico after Walts passing

EXTENSIONS OF JESUS

BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD IN CENTRAL MEXICO

Our Beginnings

Extensions of Jesus was founded by Walt and Eva Langston. Former drug addicts, they were saved and delivered when Walt was at the point of death. Their tiny daughter cried out to God as her Father laid on the floor near death from an over dose; and her prayers were answered.

In 1976 Walt and Eva Langston were ordained and sent out to the mission field by John Osteen – founding pastor of Lakewood Church in Houston, Texas. The call on their life was recognized as well as their love for God and people.

Reaching the Lost

Walt and Eva's ministry would ultimately result in starting 10 churches that remain active today, including the church that their adopted son Sammy and his wife Martha have pastored for 17 years in San Luis Potosi. In fact, Sammy, Martha, and their beautiful children April and Suri will be celebrating the 17-year anniversary of the church this month!

Walt and Eva first met Sammy as a two-year-old toddler that had been brought into the orphanage when he was a week old after his mother had abandoned him. Walt and Eva had been offered the position of director of the orphanage in Yera where they stayed for two years. Before leaving, they started the long and difficult process for adoption. The process would take 4 years.

The ministry of Walt and Eva Langston reaped lasting results under difficult conditions. They touched the lives of many both in Mexico and in the United States where Eva now lives. While the impacts of their ministry made a lifelong impact on family, friends, and those they have led to Jesus; the mantle and anointing to continue and expand the ministry fell on Sammy. Beyond the growing ministry of Oasis of Love in San Luis Potosi, Sammy and Martha continue to reach out with leadership seminars, special events, and support for the mountain churches started by Walt and Eva.