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Dear friends,

As we approach the culmination of this year 2016, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to each one of you for your unceasing prayers, generous financial support and constant encouragement in the ministry. I thank God for you and your willingness to be God's vessels through which he can show his goodness to many!

We are excited to have many new visitors over these past months. Many of whom have had sporadic attendance. Nonetheless we continue follow up on a weekly basis. It is always our heartfelt desire to see these individuals not only accept the Lord Jesus as their Lord and Savior but to maintain and establish a firm commitment to his Word. Please pray that as we build relationships with them, we may also reach their families by extension.

My wife Keishla is now the director of our bible club which meets every other Friday! She is actively working to not only encourage bible club attendance but Sunday services as well. This is a great medium which allows for weekly engagements with the parents of those children. We ask for your prayers especially for Franklin, Jovan and their families.



I had the wonderful privilege of performing the baptism of Jianka, one of our teens, as she decided to be obedient to the Lord's command on her life. I was especially elated as I observed her spiritual maturity in the Lord as she took that step of faith in her walk with the lord.



I particularly remember an instance when she came up to me at church, with the widest smile on her face and said "guess what I did today?" "I spoke to my friends at school about Jesus!" She went on to say "I don't really know how to lead someone to Jesus but I just told them all I know about him. Instinctively, I jumped at the opportunity to show her how to

do so! Praise be to the Most High God! Please pray for Jianka's continued spiritual growth.

I also had the opportunity to have bible studies with Gilberto, a church visitor. Do remember him in your prayers.



We are happy to have Melanie Lopez and Miguel Angel with us this Christmas. Melanie got saved under our ministry, studied at the college here in Puerto Rico and is now serving as a missionary in Colombia with her husband! They are doing great work out there! Miguel angel has just returned home from his first semester at bible college. Please pray for them as they continue to follow God's will for their lives. We are so proud of them!



Next semester I will be teaching at the Puerto Rico Baptist college. I am commissioned to teach the old testament historical books. This class is of special interest to me. Therefore, I humbly request your prayers for wisdom to teach clearly and effectively. Pray also for the new students and the upcoming semester.

It appears that everywhere I go people ask me the same question-"How is married life?" I am happy and thankful to report that married life is great! I thank the Lord for my wife and the blessing she is to me and to the ministry! Married life is definitely a learning process. I have learned many things so far, for example the toilet seat does not automatically go down; the shower curtain actually closes in and out of the shower, the right place for my slippers is not the last place I left them. I also learned some new phrases such as: "yes dear", "whatever you say dear" and of course the most important one "I was wrong and please forgive me". I am told that there are several more phrases that I must learn. Your prayers are greatly appreciated and encouraged!

My wife and I are eagerly looking forward to visiting our supporting churches in 2017 and hope to share the word, our burden and vision for the future of our ministry here in Puerto Rico! We strongly appreciate your prayers and the support you have rendered these past years. They have been invaluable! Thank you!



Merry Christmas and a Happy New year 2017!

Only by His Grace,

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