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Dear Pastors and Churches:



Last week we received a visit from an inspector with the electric department of our government. After viewing our property and comparing the low electrical consumption rates we routinely have, he decided to assign us a billing adjustment . All electricity in Mexico is controlled by the Federal Electricity Commission. The amount we have to pay is 96,812.00 pesos - roughly \$5,000 US dollars.

In Mexico the cost of electricity consumption is high. Due to this situation, we had already planned to supplement our electricity by installing a solar panel system in the Children's Home building. When we had originally looked at this project, at first they informed me that I needed 10 panels and that the cost would be of 100,000.00 (one hundred thousand pesos) approximately, but this is only useful for a normal house, we need more solar panels. God touched the heart of Highland Missionary Baptist Church there in the United States and sent us this amount.

When contacting an installation company for these systems we were told that the cost was much higher, around 295,000.00 pesos because the size of our facility is so much larger than a typical home. We have now been given a full proposal, including the budget, which includes solar panels, all the material that will be used in its installation, permits from the Federal Electricity Commission and the cost of labor. With the funds we have already received toward this project, ***the remaining need is 195,000 pesos (approximately \$10,000 US dollars)***, which will allow us to be independent of the government for our electricity and no longer subject to these arbitrary fines.

We want to thank Highland Missionary Baptist Church and Pastor Burt Atkins for their financial support in this project. we thank our pastor Ron Thomas at Rogers Baptist Church and all the supporting churches and pastors for their unconditional love for this ministry. May the Lord reward you handsomely. We ask for your prayers so that God will help us to obtain this amount.

Kind regards

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