

Some assembly req

Congratulations! If you are reading this, that means you can and paste our prayer letter. Double super bonus points if you print it out first. Just remember - you (or your kids!) probably puzzled today. Thank you for taking the time!

Why did we do this? To point out the disintegrated and complex Mexican life. Mexicans live in several clashing worlds at the

- the mystical, traditional world of altars and popular *Santa Muerte* – imagine praying to the Grim Reaper deceased relatives during this month's *Dia de los Muertos*
- the U.S.-influenced consumerist world of shopping and pirated goods
- and the Christians we work with also have the 'Protestant' doctrine, church order and meeting agendas
- Sometimes the worlds blur together and you get 'Vigilante' figurines, popular Catholic mentality surfacing in 'Pirating Bible software on their new netbooks

It's hard for people to navigate these conflicting worldview whole. So our ministry here is to promote a biblical worldview, my ministry of seminary teaching, giving conferences and see the picture of what God has done and is doing in his work scheme of it all.

In August I helped organize a weeklong Vision Conference speakers Darrow Miller and John Wo community transformation. I created a Facebook Mexico City Christians interested in these topics. website. We hope this will bear fruit, that Christians encourage each other toward transforming their ministry of helping people 'assemble' their work. There are other matters requiring some assembly. Our home service is from January to June in the Jenison/Hudsonville area to babysit furnished or not. We also need a vehicle if you have any leads on either a car or a Darlene Dykstra, at (616) 669-5113.

- We are raising support to replace our Tow Mexico City's driving laws are much strict offroad much of the week. Technicalities other simpler solution. So we hope to buy

Conference put on by Partners in Christ. Good spoke about worldviews and about page and a Gmail contact group to connect , and added some resource pages to our own ans in Mexico City will share materials and minds and their world. Thank you for supporting worldview like you assembled this prayer letter.

; that we would ask you to pray about: e 2011. We need to find a three-bedroom home t, borrow or rent during that time, either for local personal use in the Grand Rapids area. home for us to use, please alert Dave's mother,

vn and Country. The car is lovely and we hate to ly in 2008 so the mission could purchase it. But cter now for foreign vehicles, and our car is keep us from getting Mexican plates or some / a car in Mexico after home service to be able

are enough about our ministry to cut you only get the web version and had to ably needed a little fun time with impartmentalized nature of modern the same time. To name only three: devotion to Mary (or perhaps to *Muertos* g malls, magazines, iPods, Lady Gaga esbyterian' world of memorized 'Virgin Mary Precious Moments Presbyterian prayers, or seminarians' ws and connect the dots into a coherent and life view. A recurring theme in producing resources is the attempt to world, and where we fit in the grand

intended

to drive every day. See the enclosed card with details about how to give to this project. Whether you yourself give toward our vehicle or not, feel free to photocopy the card and give it to those you know who might be willing to donate toward it.

Thank you for your prayers and correspondence, and for your moral and financial support. Thank you for being part of our 'assembly team' reaching Mexico City. God bless you abundantly this autumn. In Christ Jesus,

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