

New Church Building in San Juan, Mexico – Mike Richardson

Objective

Install a concrete floor slab, ceramic tile floor, sub-slab radiant heating, electrical service, and rough-in for plumbing in a church building under construction in San Juan, Mexico. This is a new church plant by our missionary Mike Richardson.

Why is this project important?

This new church is a 45 minute drive on bad roads from Mike's church in Baratillo. Transportation issues prevent most people from San Juan from attending the church in Baratillo. The new church in San Juan is being planted by a core group of 18 persons (8 persons from San Juan, the worship leader's (Jorge Garcia) family, and Mike Richardson's family. The church is expected to grow to 40 persons or more within a year.



Strategy and Method of Implementation

The church is being constructed in four phases:

- Phase 1 – land acquisition and building site preparation
- Phase 2 – erection of a 1600 sq ft steel building with a 400 sq ft porch
- Phase 3 - installation of concrete floor slab, ceramic floor tile, sub-slab radiant heating, electrical service, and rough-in for plumbing
- Phase 4 – installation of interior walls, ceiling insulation, interior doors & trim, baseboards, lighting & electrical outlets, bathroom fixtures & cabinetry

Phase 1 and Phase 2 of construction are complete. This proposed project would fund Phase 3 of the construction. It would provide a floor and heat in the building before winter. (It is cold in San Juan in winter as they are at an elevation of about 8,000 feet.)



Missionary Agency and Our Involvement

Mike and Pam Richardson have served as missionaries in Mexico since 1993. They are incorporated in McAllen, TX, as Vida Nueva Ministries. BRBC has supported them for many years. A number of our members have assisted them with their family camp and other mission activities over the years including Benjamin Garber, Jim Shipe, and Kenny Shipe.

Strengths of this Project

This project builds on the strong long-term relationship BRBC has had with the Richardsons. It helps move completion of the new church in San Juan forward and will make the building more usable in the coming winter months.

Finances

The cost of this project (Phase 3) is \$15,424. The future Phase 4 will cost approximately \$21,576.

Video Presentation

<https://youtu.be/gEe48FHZPnA>