



Interesting Facts About Mexico City

+Mexico City has the largest number of museums in the Americas and the second largest amount in the world, after London.

+Mexico City's metro system (subway) is the largest of Latin America, with 12 lines along 226 kms, 195 stations and 7 million people using it every day.

+Chapultepec's Castle is the only real castle in the Americas, as it was home of Spanish Viceroy and the Austrian Emperor, Maximilian of Habsburg.

+Mexico City has the biggest bull ring of the world (it can host 41 thousand people), which also serves as scenario for concerts and even motocross tours!

+Chapultepec's park is twice the size of New York's Central Park!

Happy New Year!

We pray that all of you had a blessed Christmas and New Year's celebration. After the Christmas Eve service at San Pedro, we celebrated a Christmas Eve dinner at the house of one of our members. We give thanks to the Guzman family for their hospitality.

After the worship service that took place on Epiphany Sunday at Buen Pastor the congregation celebrated a Mexican tradition with a Mexican bread commonly known as "Rosca de Reyes." (See picture below) The fruits in the bread signify the jewels that are encrusted in the crowns of kings and represent peace, love, and happiness. The round form of the bread denotes the love of God that has is eternal without end. A plastic infant Jesus is hidden within the bread and reminds us of when Joseph and Mary had to hide the infant Jesus from King Herod. The eating of the bread reminds of the communion that we have with the Lord Jesus. This traditional Mexican bread serves as a tremendous way to teach the people about the birth of the Christ Child!

All of us are getting back to the old routine after the holiday break. Dan will resume his teaching duties next week. He is presently teaching 8 future national pastors. For the next few weeks Dan is also serving as the substitute pastor at Buen Pastor while missionary Andrew Schlund, who serves as the regular pastor, completes more course work for his S.T.M at the St. Louis seminary.



The Rosca de Reyes or "King's Bread" that is served on the day of the Epiphany in Mexico.



We Pray For

- + A new mission church: Cristo Redentor Lutheran Church in Tijuana.
- + Missionary Rev. Dr. Jonathan Naumann as he recovers from a heart attack.
- + The ongoing theological education for the present and future national pastors in Mexico.
- + More mission partners for our mission in Mexico.

We Give Thanks For

- + The coming of the Christ Child.
- + The opportunity to serve God in this new year.
- + The prayers and financial support that make the mission in Mexico possible.
- + The national pastors and deaconesses that are in formation.
- + The Epiphany services that were celebrated throughout Mexico.

Personal Notes

This new year will present many challenges but by the grace of God we will be equal to them. We give thanks for the national pastors that are in formation, but we constantly pray for more kingdom workers that will reap the harvest that is before us.

We thank God for the mission in Mexico as we build up existing congregations and provide Biblical training for national pastors, deacons, and deaconesses. Prayerfully consider how the Lord may be leading you to support this vital mission. The Lord provides the funding for his mission efforts through the donations of His local churches and its individual members.

Through your financial donations national pastors and deaconess will be formed and mentored that they may spread the Gospel throughout Mexico. Together we partner with God to take the Gospel to the far ends of the earth. We thank you for your support of the mission in Mexico.

May the Lord bless all of you abundantly in 2019!



I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:3)

Soli Deo Gloria

Daniel, Kathy, and Ana



The members of San Pedro Lutheran Church in Mexico City wish you a blessed 2019!



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