

## OPERATION CAPITAL CITY

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Pastor Hope Cummins and I departed from Pittsburg, Pa. on Feb 23, 2009. We arrived in Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico around 7:00 PM that evening, where we were immediately whisked away to an outdoor evangelistic meeting going on in the downtown area of the city. Before we knew what was happening, we were up on the platform praying for the city! The city of Saltillo is very much aware of OCC and our plan to take prayer teams to all of the capital cities. Saltillo is the very first city we prayed in, actually the “birthing “ of the work. The Pastor’s Alliance there , and their wives, pray every time we are out on a mission trip!. There is a radio station in Saltillo, where the Pastor’s have even had prayer go out for OCC.

After spending the night in Saltillo, we joined the rest of our team early in the morning, and left for our first destination, San Luis Potosi. Team members included: Revs. Tony Garcia, who is the OCC Director in Mexico, Joel Valdez, Julian Garcia, Hose Luis Mesa, Charly Misael, HOPE CUMMINS and myself.

Our contact pastor in San Luis Potosi, which is the capital of the state of San Luis Potosi, was Pastor Erwin Gomez. He was waiting for us in his Church, where he had gathered some other pastors, and we at once began to share our vision. I sensed a little resistance at first, and I prayed for the Lord to show me a sign that we were in the right place with the right people. As Pastor Tony was talking, I began to feel like a mist of water being sprayed on both of my hands! I could feel it, and I could see it! I began looking around to see if the others noticed anything, but none seemed to. I asked Pastor Hope, who was sitting beside me, if she felt a spray of water. She didn’t. There was a soda bottle sitting on the table in front of me, and I thought maybe it was “fizzing” out onto me. It wasn’t. Then I remembered that I had just asked God for a sign to assure me that we were in the right place! Why are we so surprised when we ask God to do something, and He does it? So for two days and two nights, we remained with this group of Pastors, praying in their city at the five pressure points. One of the highlights there was our visit to the TV station .Pastor Erwin knew the owner and was able to get us an appointment to go inside and pray. We were asked into his office to pray for him, and also for the manager of the station. She in turn took us through the station, calling out all of her office employees and insisted that we pray for each one! We prayed, as we do in all media points that God will “clear the air waves, and for His voice to be heard!!!” One other significant

observation in San Luis Potosi; there was an absolute and overwhelming presence of witchcraft, idol worship and a total fascination of the “death idol,” probably worse than in any other city I have been in.

We then moved on to the second city, Queretaro, which is the capital of the state of Queretaro, located southeast of San Luis Potosi, where we were met by Pastor Gilberto Gonzales. It was always interesting to me to watch as Pastor Tony and the other Mexican team members began calling their contacts, inviting them to the informational breakfast the next morning and making plans to meet for prayer. Talk about networking!! Meeting with the pastors of the city is vital to what we are doing, because they are the “elders” at the gates of their cities, and are the ones who will continue to pray after we leave. In Queretaro we had our Pastor’s breakfast at a Vip’s Restaurant, and then walked to a nearby Methodist Church where we had our meeting. After the time of sharing and answering questions, we always pray for all of the Pastors. As we all prayed through the city together, we had an opportunity here also to pray in the TV station. We then prayed at a special school campus where students from all over the state were offered not only a first class education, but also a very special sports program which prepared students for statewide competition—even Olympic training. The second night in Queretaro we attended a service at Pastor Gilberto’s Church, where Pastor Tony preached. We were greatly ministered to there through the Word, the worship and the prophetic ministry. An extra special blessing that night was a night’s stay in Hotel Betesda, a beautiful, traditional Mexican hotel owned by Pastor Daniel Cabrera. This blessing was a gift given to us by this precious Pastor. Gracias Dios!! We never knew from day to day where we would eat or where we would sleep, but the Lord always seemed to go ahead of us to make the reservations! This trip has been a continuing walk of faith!

The third city we visited was Mexico City, or as it is called there, Mexico....., or Distrito Federal. What an amazing city! I am not 100% sure, but I believe right now that it is the largest city in the world. I think God has a sense of humor, sending me to work in these huge metropolitan areas, as I have always lived in a small rural town, and always wanted to live in the country.! The Lord blessed us with a wonderful Pastor contact in Mexico City, Pastor Gamaliel Vasquez. He completely arranged the Pastor’s breakfast for us at a local restaurant, contacting many other Pastors, and was very enthusiastic about OCC. We have a firm commitment from him, as well as many others to work with us and to do whatever he can to help us. Not

only this, but he also was a wealth of information as he took us around to the five pressure points to pray. It is always important to know some of the history of the area in order to know better how to pray. This, along with discernment, helps in the whole strategy of spiritual warfare. Our hotel was only about three blocks away from the huge main square., or what is called the “Zocalo.” ( I’m sure you have seen it many times on TV.) It was so awesome to see the raising of the National Flag every morning by the soldiers marching through the streets. Many of these soldiers are the very ones being deployed to the border to fight the drug cartels. We prayed a lot for these young men. I can’t get political here, but you can ask me in person, if you care to. Both Mexico City and Queretaro expressed a desire to have Harvest Preparation International Ministries come to their cities to conduct a Pastor’s Conference there. Oh yes, I must mention that on Sunday we were not able to have meetings, so we took a little time for a sightseeing excursion to the famous Aztec Pyramids. I actually didn’t go all of the way up, but the others did. I sat at the bottom and had a wonderful time of prayer with the Lord! But it certainly was very interesting to see.

Next, we were off to Toluca, the capital city of the state of Mexico. ( I know, it is a little confusing) Upon arriving, actually quite late at night, we immediately had a meeting with some of the Pastor’s of the Alliance at the Best Western Hotel. Mostly it was just a time of fellowship with a briefing for the next morning’s meeting, As we met in the morning, we were very blessed to hear that this city is already working diligently in the area of intercession!. The Pastors have been praying TOGETHER as a group in strategic places all over the city, and have seen some wonderful fruit of their labor! We were extremely blessed, not only to hear this, but also by what they said to us. They could have said, “ we already are doing this, we don’t need OCC.” BUT.....instead, they said, “this is what we are doing, but we would like to add to that, the strategy and ideas that YOU have!!!”They were so hungry for the Spirit of God to be powerfully at work in their city!

Next stop.....Morelia in the state of Michoacan. In this beautiful city we were blessed by the love and hospitality of Pastor Alberto Ruiz and his wife Sister Fabiola. Another contact was Pastor Roberto Godoy, who arranged the Pastor’s informational breakfast for us. This Pastor, along with others, was very open and enthusiastically offered to help us in any way possible. We felt that when we had completed the prayer assignment there in Morelia, we left behind wonderful friends and co-laborers in preparation for the Great Harvest! One Pastor said to me as we were about to pray in the marketplace,

“ok, show me how this is done!” We never make a spectacle of our public prayer. I guess that they had had a very bad experience with a prayer group who came into their city. I understand that this group went about in the local Cathedral shouting some kind of a “turn or burn” message, and caused the local Evangelical Churches a lot of problems. We assured them that this was not our intent, that we would not embarrass them. We proceeded to walk through the marketplace looking very much like tourists, but passionately praying.

Last, but not least, we entered Chilpancingo, the capital of Guerrero, after a grueling ten and a half hour trip. There we settled into a local hotel at the recommendation of Pastora Ricarda Mendez. Pastora Ricarda, who is the president of the local Pastor’s Alliance hosted the morning breakfast meeting at her Church at 10:00 the following morning. Here again, we found a city, smaller than the others, but on fire for prayer and intercession for the city. Their question was, “ how can we use OCC in addition to what we are doing. Let’s stand together....work together, for the KINGDOM!!!” After the meeting many joined with us as we began the prayer journey through the city. One thing that blessed us in particular was that when we approached the Governor’s Palace to pray, we realized that it was Saturday and we would not be able to go inside to pray. After talking with the guards at the gate, for some reason they decided to allow us onto the grounds---not in the palace, but at least onto the grounds, There was a different building there representing each of the seven regions of the state, and we had seven people on the team. So each one took a region and prayed for that region. As we were praying, Pastor Ricarda received a phone call from the Director of Religious Affairs for the state of Guerrea, who apologized for not being able to be there with us, but welcomed us and thanked us for what we were doing, and gave us his full support and blessing!

This trip was such a “step up” as far as the anointing and especially the favor of God that we experienced! God sent us quality people to connect with, people of influence in His Kingdom. We thank Him....we thank Him....we are so grateful for His faithfulness to us.

**TO HIM BE ALL GLORY GIVEN, FOR EVER AND EVER AND EVER!!!!**

Pastora Carol