RCA Global Mission

Update from

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Dear Friends,

Frontera de Gracia's mission is simple but profound: *to show hospitality in Jesus Christ to those waiting at the border.*

We are deeply grateful for your continued support and prayers as we refresh and expand our ministry. As Dutch priest and professor Henri Nouwen reminds us, "fundraising is, first and foremost, a form of ministry… proclaiming what we believe in such a way that we offer other people an opportunity to participate with us in our vision and mission."

Over the past year and a half, the border has remained largely closed, and the number of guests at Frontera de Gracia has been minimal. This quiet time has given us a unique opportunity to renovate our facilities. For the past six months, we have been praying, planning, and inviting supporters to join us in the Frontera de Gracia Renovation Project.

The response has been incredible. People have welcomed me into their homes, offices, and coffee shops to hear stories of what God is doing at the border. Your enthusiasm and generosity have been inspiring. Through your support, God is preparing a safe, welcoming home for those waiting at the border, and we are privileged to be part of this blessing.

Thanks to you, we have raised approximately **30 percent of our $980,000 goal**. We are hopeful to reach **50 percent by the end of May 2026**, and we plan to begin the first phase of construction in July 2026. This project is not just about improving a building—it is about preparing for the future while continuing to meet urgent needs today.

Frontera de Gracia providing food to those waiting at the border in the city.

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A recent story reminds us why this work matters. Three teenage boys, (ages 16-19) who had just been released from captors, came into the community asking where they could find help. Neighbors told them, “Go to Frontera de Gracia church—they will help you.” That Sunday, they arrived during our service, and our church members welcomed them, listened, and offered support in their moment of need.

Though movement across the border may seem quieter now, stories like this show that the need is still very real. They challenge us to rebuild and strengthen Frontera de Gracia as a place of refuge and hope.

As we move toward the next phase of this project, we invite you to prayerfully consider partnering with us again. Your financial support—whether a one-time gift or recurring contribution—brings this project closer to reality and directly impacts lives. Equally important, we ask for your continued prayers—for provision, wisdom, and for all who come seeking help.

Frontera de Gracia church

Please Pray:

- Pray for the plans to rebuild Frontera de Gracia, that God will pour out his blessing to this project.
- Pray for the congregants of Frontera de Gracia church who are about to embark in a new season as they build a church/shelter in Juarez.
- Pray for all our donors who are committed to pray and support this endeavor. God be praised!

Thank you for standing with us in this work. God is good, and your partnership makes his work possible.

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With heartfelt gratitude,
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