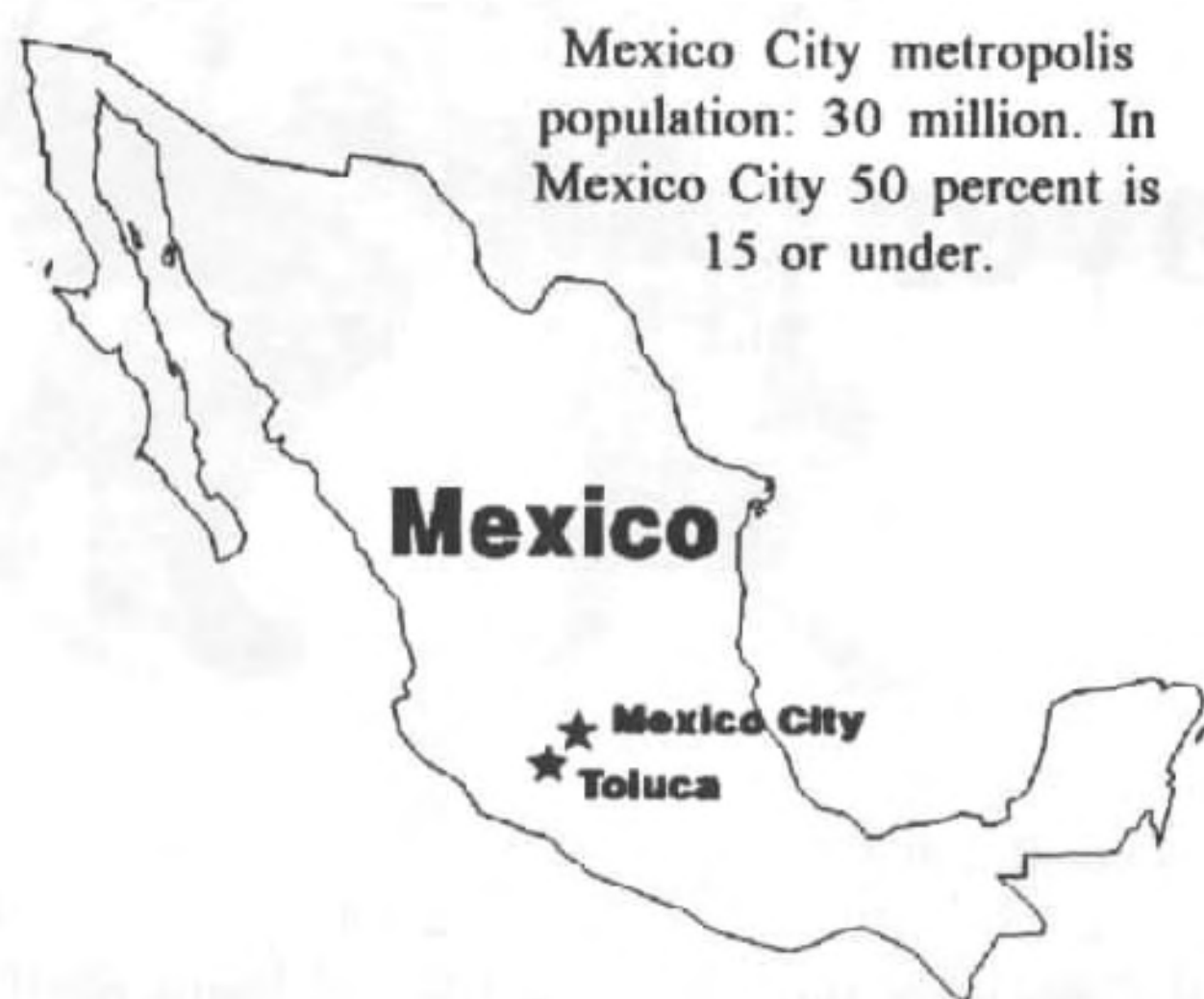


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INTERNATIONAL



PLANES, TRAINS, AND AUTOMOBILES

As we look back on our five weeks of internship, one of the highlights was hearing the life journeys of all our fellow interns and many veteran OC missionaries, including Dick Hillis, OC's founder. A few patterns stood out: God is faithful; following Him is an adventure; you just never know where He's going to take you next. Their stories made us feel better about our own circuitous route to another country.

As you are reading this we are taking a major step in our journey. Thanks to Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Wichita, Kansas, and the team in Brazil, we are visiting the

OC teams in Mexico and Brazil. There are several reasons for our trip. Before we can be accepted by the team we have to visit them on the field. This gives us a chance to meet the team members, to see how they are implementing their strategy for reaching that whole nation, and to assess how we might fit into that.

Here's our itinerary:

August 1-9 Toluca, Mexico
August 10-22 São Paulo, Brazil

Now that you know where we are, here are some specific areas of concern for which we would appreciate prayer.

TRAVEL -- We hope to have a smoother journey than Steve Martin and John Candy did in the movie from which I stole our prayer letter title. Please pray for safety.

HEALTH -- An amoeba or two and a spot of Montezuma's revenge can ruin any trip. Different foods and different beds, pray that we will be able to take them all in stride.

ENERGY -- Lots of travel, excitement, and fascinating new people and things can really wear me out. However you probably know Tim doesn't need prayer in this area. If he gets any more energy I don't know what I'll do.

DISCERNMENT AS WE MAKE A CHOICE -- We are anticipating that the most difficult part will be deciding which country. Pray that it will be clear where God has prepared us to minister.

We look forward to filling you in on exciting stories when we return.

For Christ and His kingdom,

Annette & Tim

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