

Prayer Diary: Mexico

26 February–4 March 2023



Women in Chiapas, Consepción Gómez Santiz second from left

Thank you so much for your prayers and campaigning for the families of El Encanto – it really does make a difference!

Hundreds of you raised your voices for Consepción Gómez Santiz and other Protestant Christian families in El Encanto, who have been living without access to running water and electricity in their homes since 2016.

Local authorities disconnected their water supply after the families had refused to take part in activities associated with the majority religion. The local authorities then blocked sewerage and electricity services from being installed in their homes.

Since the launch of our campaign, Mexican government officials have recognised that a crime may have been committed against Protestant Christians in El Encanto and have opened an investigation. In addition, the municipal government has begun delivering water supplies to the families every fortnight while they wait for their water supply to be reinstated.

This breakthrough is encouraging, but their ordeal is not over yet. Although the state and federal authorities are now involved, in practice the local community has the final word, so it is especially important to continue praying.

Read more on p.2 of Response and pray for these families using the scriptures below.

Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done. (Psalm 105:1 NLT)

Nonetheless, the Lord is waiting to be merciful to you, and will rise up to show you compassion. The Lord is a God of justice; happy are all who wait for him. (Isaiah 30:18 CEB)

The Lord loves justice. He will never leave his faithful all alone. (Psalm 37:28a CEB)

But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. (Amos 5:24 ESV)

I know that the Lord will take up the case of the poor and will do what is right for the needy. (Psalm 140:12 CEB)

Visit csw.org.uk/Mexico for updates on the case.