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Visitation of Mission de N.S.P.S. Francisco dela Espada made by Rev. Fr. Mariano Francisco de los Dolores y Biana, Apostolic Preacher and Comissario Visitador of all the missions belonging to the College of Santa Cruz on April 7, 1759. - In Mission of N.S.P.S. Francisco de la Espada, on April 7, 1759, Rev. Fr. Mariano Francisco de los Dolores y Biana, Apostolic Preacher and Comissario Visitador of all the missions belonging to the College of the Propagation of the Faith of Santa Cruz, by our Father Very Rev. <sup>Father</sup> President, Fr. Joseph Antonio de Oliva, Lector Jubilarian, Officer of the Inquisition, ex-Provincial Minister of the Province of Zacatecas; <sup>Father</sup> President ? of the missions of ( Father of the Provinces of) Santo Evangelio, Michoacan and Xalisco, and Commissary General of all the missions of New Spain and adjoining <sup>islands</sup> ~~territory~~ and the Philippines: having made visitation of this mission, both as to the religious of this mission, as also in regard to the church, sacred vessels, sacristy, Books of Administration and the other furnshings <sup>alhajas</sup> pertaining to divine worship and also all the workshops, <sup>jewels</sup>

inventories, and books of accounts, all that the Father had, to be ~~with disgust~~ <sup>had with</sup> careful attention, clarity, fidelity and in becoming manner and form. To give more detailed information and ~~ex~~<sup>p</sup>planation of the status of this mission to our Rev. Fr., to Commissary General and Fr. Guardian and the Ven. Discretorio, I order that in continuation of this decree be placed the inventories and other measures that should be taken. This I provide for and ordain on said day, month and year, as above. - Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Comissario Visitador. - Before me, Fr. Joseph Ygnacio Maria Alegre, secretary of the visitation.

In carrying out the preceding order and Rev. Fr. Comisario Visitador, Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana having seen and inspected this mission, the books of administration, the census list, inventories and accounts, the workshops and all that is in them, and also what pertains to the church and divine worship, and all the rest that pertains to the management of temporalities, the undersigned secretary being in my presence, I find su p<sup>8</sup> cotar <sup>2</sup>, *cut* in the following state: - In the census of this mission there are 220 persons. In the Books of administration 660 were baptized 120 since the last visitation in 1756; 441 have died, 69 since the last visitation.

The church which is of lime and stone, <sup>roofed w beams</sup> painted, and small, <sup>altar</sup> has a table, with four walnut boxes with keys in which are kept the vestments; above the altar mensa are sveral wooden <sup>ledges</sup> steps. The altar has an iamage of clothof our holy Father St. Francis, <sup>one</sup> of Christ Crucified, a canvas of Our Lady of Refuge, another image of Our Lady of Sorrows, 4 other canvases and a few other images (figures)

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There are ten vestments, one of cloth, and the rest of silk and <sup>of</sup> distinct classes and colors. 6 antependiums, 2 <sup>2 campas</sup> campas, white and black, another small one for the holy Viaticum and a sash, 8 corporals with burses, 6 albs <sup>of all kinds</sup> de todas claves, 26 purificators, <sup>clases</sup> 2 amices, 11 finger towels, 1 surplice, 1 towel for giving Communion, a chalice with paten and silver spoon, 3 oil stocks, a ciborium, silver cruets and others of <sup>chipa</sup> chipa (wooden basket or leather strap), 2 altar stones, 2 missals, 1 ritual, a manual, cross with hanging (maga), <sup>cover</sup> baptismal font and shell, censer and bronze boat, 6 candlesticks of metal and other item (alajas) <sup>alhajas</sup> as found in the inventory.

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The pueblo has two walls (lienzos) of stone houses, painted, <sup>ennegradas (p. 16)</sup> ~~with~~/<sup>with</sup>/~~the~~/~~contents~~ an another <sup>wall</sup> being made, which with the convento ( to which are added two cells and a corridor) form the plaza; there are <sup>rooms</sup> shops needed to store up the goods and a granary for corn. The mission has corresponding farms and the implements needed for its cultivation and ~~use~~ profit. Also a forge with the necessary tools. Wool and cotton are worked for needed clothing for the people, in the workshop which has three looms and the needed tools. Cattle number 600 head. Sheep, 2,200. Goats 50. 6 herds with their jack-asses and banded young, numbering 229 heads. 7 <sup>(female)</sup> burros <sup>a</sup> and one male burro. This is the true state of affairs as found at present in mission of our holy father San Francisco dela Espada. Aftr seeing and inspecting the workshops, books and inventories, in which are found minutely <sup>all the</sup> rest that is in the mission of items needed for employing and <sup>maintaining</sup> the Indians by said Fr. Visitador. That this be known S. P<sup>d</sup> signed in my presence, on said day, month and year, as above.- Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana

Commissary Visiador - Before me, Fr. Jph Ygnacio Maria Alegre, secretary of the visitation.

In this Mission of San Jun Capistrano on April 9, 1759, Rv. Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Apotolic Preacher and Commissary Visiador of all the missions belonging to the College of Santa Cruz by our Most Rev. Joseph Antonio de Oliva, Lector Jubilarian, official of the Inquisition, ex-Minister Provincial of the Province<sup>s</sup> of Zacatecas, P<sup>e</sup> of those of Holy Gospel, Michoacan and Xalisco and General Commissary of all the missions of this New Spin, adjacent islands and the Philippines, having visited both as to the religious of the mission and as to the church, sacred vessels, sacristy, books of administration, inventories, worksh<sup>o</sup>p<sup>s</sup> and books of accounts, all of which Father found to be with neatness, care, clarity, fidelity, manner and due form and accordingly <sup>all</sup> this till here <sup>is</sup> determined and ordered & observed in preceding visitations, to give particular attention and explanation of the <sup>status</sup> ~~stae~~ of the mission both to the Very Rev. Fr. Commissary General and also to Rev. Fr. Guardian and the Ven Discretorio, ordered that the inventories and the other measures that should be taken be added to this. So he provided and commanded on said day, month and year, as above. - Fr. Maria<sup>n</sup>o Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Commissary Visitador - Before me, Fr Jph Ign<sup>o</sup> Maria Alegre, secretay of the visitation.

In carrying out the preceding order and having seen and inspected said Fr. Commissary Visitador, Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana this mission its books of administration the census list, the inventories and accounts, the workshops and everything in them, both what pertains to the church and

also the rest needed for the employment and maintenance of the Indians, by the presence of the undersigned secretary, Father found things in this form; by the census of this mission 226 persons are in the mission (not counting those in Mission of Vizarron and in the hills in the interest of this mission). 812 have been baptized, 64 since the 1<sup>st</sup> visitation, made in 1756; there ~~x~~ are about 8 infidels. 577 have died, 72 since last visitation. The pueblo has 59 families.

The church (which till now has not been able to be built) is supplied by <sup>walls</sup> ~~canvas~~ 24 varas long and 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  wide, painted, very becoming, in which is found a main altar made up of which are wooden <sup>ledges</sup> steps painted; in the center is a niche gilded with its glass and key and within an image of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of our holy Father St. Francis, very devout; on pedestal is one of San Juan Capistrano of a vara <sup>carved and</sup> ~~of sculpture~~ very beautiful, beneath a baldakin of striped satin and the sides adorned with 8 <sup>frames</sup> squares of distinct shape and images. - On the <sup>p</sup> East side is a table and over it <sup>a</sup> portable stand with a statue of our Lady of Sorrows of  $\frac{1}{2}$  vara high with its tunic of red cloth, blue mantle and resplendor (reflector?) and silver dagger, which is joined to the rosary. There is another portable altar and on one wooden <sup>ledge</sup> step a carved image of one vara of Our Lady of the Rosary with Child; both have silver crowns, very beautiful, and one has a necklace of pearls of various threads. Higher than this (superior to this) is a canvas of Our Lady of Refuge of more than a vara, very beautiful, with its veil of green cloth with flowers embroidered in gold. The sides are adorned with <sup>large</sup> figures of color, made in squares. In front of

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silver gilded

said figure there is another portable altar on which is venerated a beautiful carved image, 2 varas high of Jesus of Nazareth with his tunic, white inside and violet de lustrina outside; silk cincture, crown, cross and hair over the shoulder, all new. Also in church is a baptismal font with its shell, 2 holy water buckets, 16 candlesticks, 2 censers with boats and spoons, 4 small bells and 1 large cross, all of bronze. And other furnishings as found in the inventory.

In the sacristy is a box with three <sup>large</sup> drawers and a <sup>sideboard</sup> ~~alaxena~~ <sup>red</sup> to one side, lined completely with sheep-skin; a <sup>red</sup> ~~alaxena~~ <sup>c</sup> above the table in which are kept the chalices, missals, etc. A room <sup>of</sup> supplies for the sacristy <sup>large</sup> roomy and <sup>ascada</sup> ~~(ascada)~~ <sup>meat</sup> in which are various items, which are mentioned in detail in the inventory.

For divine service and worship the following vestments;

<sup>hacen</sup> 17 vestments, 2 <sup>e</sup> hazen, <sup>dos</sup> azes of different kinds, qualities and colors and all becoming; 2 copes, a mozzetta with gold to administer viaticum, 10 antependiums, 14 altar cloths and otros generos, a cloth sash, 16 varas of ribbed silk stuff, red, <sup>melendra</sup> 7 varas of <sup>?</sup> melendra black, and other various <sup>pieces</sup> for decoration. White linen: 9 albs of different quality, 13 amices, with lace of different kinds; 11 double corporals, 2 surplices 20 finger towels, 41 purificators, 8 new altar cloths and 4 old; 12 cords of cloth, silk and cotton. 2 chalices with patens and spoons in good condition; a small ciborium with cross and cloth, 2 cruets, 3 <sup>silver</sup> oil stocks with holy oil, <sup>and</sup> ~~7~~ altar stones, 2 missals, 3 manuals, Also a mould for hosts, wafer box, wash stand and other items less important that are ~~em~~ mentioned in the inventory.

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In the library among various groups of moral books, those on preaching, mysticism, sacred history, etc - 81 volumes.

The convento takes in 4 sides of walls in a square, comprising the church, sacristy, three cells for the ministers and <sup>quest's</sup> hospices, three workshops, very ample, refectory, porter's quarters <sup>offices</sup> workshop, kitchen and other rooms. All that is contained in them are mentioned in detail in the inventory in this <sup>copy</sup> vierta - in the workshop are 3 looms in operation, wheel, <sup>2.</sup> vidideras, <sup>wooden</sup> wheels, cards, combs, skeins of silk and other needed tools, and a good supply of cotton and wool for working, all that is needed for this year.

For the carpentry and masohry are all the needed tools and more than necessary. The mission has enough land for sowing corn, beans, cotton, ~~ch~~ pepper, orchards, etc. For use are plows, iron crows, hatchets, adzes, carts, <sup>4</sup> ~~co~~fundas and <sup>4</sup> ~~g~~ugos <sup>→ straps</sup> in abundance. The pueblo and families have metates, pans, kettles, <sup>5</sup> ~~ca~~nos, etc. And the people are sufficiently clothed.

<sup>patry</sup> Also are mentioned in the inventory 900 head of cattle, 45 <sup>yoke of oxen 2.</sup> juntas de guelles, 2431 sheep, 6 herds of 321 animals with the stallions and burros, 126 tame horses and 5 mules, 150 goats.

This is the status of this mission as to the spiritual and temporal, as is seen in the inventories, books and registration and inspection, which the Rev. Visitador made in the presence of the undersigned secretary, of which I give witness and sign my name on April 11, 1759

Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Commissary Visitador. Before me Fr. Jph Ygnacio Maria Alegre, secry of the visitation.

On April 19, 1759, Rev. Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Apostolic Preacher and Commissary Visitador of all the missions belonging to the Colege of Santa Cruz by Most Rev. Fr. Jph Antonio de Oliva, Lector Jubilarian, official of the Inquisition ex-Minister Provincial of the holy Province of Zacatecas, Father of the provinces of the Holy Gospel, Michoacan and Xalisco and Commissary General of all the missions of this New Spain, adjoining islands and the Philippines; I have visited Mission of Purisima Concepcion both as to what pertains to the church, sacred vessels, vestments and other ecclestiacal <sup>u</sup>firmishings and also as to temporal things in the workshops, and goods, all of which the Father has mentioned in his inventories and in <sup>due</sup>the manner and form. To give <sup>actual</sup>detailed information on the ~~status~~es of the mission I have presented to our Most Rev. Fr. Commissary General and to Fr Guardian and the Ven. Discrtorio and det~~er~~mined that <sup>there be</sup> added to the aforesaid the inventory and other measures which have been taken. And so ~~Ø~~ I provide and command on this day ~~of~~ month and year as above.

Fr Mariano Francisvo delos Dolores y Biana, Commissary Visitador. Before me Fr Jph Ygnacio Maria Alegre, secretary of the visitation.

Rev Commissary Visitador having visited in my presence the undersigned secretary the above mentioned Mission of Purisima Concepcion in its church, sacristy and other offices, the books of administration, inventories and accounts, the Father found things in this status:

From the census list of this mission 250 persons of all ages and both sexes are in this mission; 721 have been baptized, 80 since the last visitation made in 1756. 503 have died, 59

since the last visitation.

The church is made of lime and stone and is vaulted with its half circle and two towers, with very good bells; very well painted ~~and~~ is the church and elegant. In the main chapel (church) is painted on the same wall a <sup>2</sup>corateral with five Senores; it has a tabernacle and above a small retable oval <sup>7</sup> *curvatezal* side gilded and very good, on which is the image of Purissima Concepcion of elegant carving with the Child in her arms and her imperial silver crown. On the sides of the main altar are painted <sup>on wall</sup> in pairs the divine pastora and the divine pilgrim with its <sup>border</sup>zenefa and various <sup>sketches</sup>débujos. In the transept are two altars; on one is painted an image of christ crucified, those of Mary <sup>on the wall</sup>mōst holy, Sorowful mother and St John, all in pairs; above the altar is a Dolorosa, of mote than a vara, with its reflecting mirror ( resplandor) and a silver sword. On the other altar is painted on the wall <sup>Lord</sup>Our lady of the Pillar. Below the two towers are two chapels, in one is an altar of St. Michael, which is painted on a canvas of a vara with its frame. In the other is a baptismal font which is of copper. There is another font of same material within a stone for holy water. Likewise a pulpit with its sounding board and in it a Christ with its baldakin; two confessionals and various benches and other furniture which adorn and beautify it.

In the sacristy is a box of walnut and savine with its carvings, very well done; it <sup>cupboards</sup>has 3 drawers, very ample and 2 alazenas with lock and key. Another cupboard within the wall to keep furnishings. There are 3 chalices with their patens and spoons, a ciborium with cover, and cross and 2 mozzettos

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of cloth and genero; 3 oil stocks in a box, cruets with plates all of silver and in good condition. Other cruets made of glass and plate made of lead, a bronze / holy water bucket, missals, manuals, and other items.

Vestments and white linen - 12 chasubles, 2<sup>^</sup> of cloth, the rest of Persian and others of various kinds; 10 antependiums, 4 of Persian, one of gilded linen (cloth, canvas) and 5 old of various kinds; 3 copes, 1 mozzetta, 11 altar cloths, 7 cords, that are common and two classical, 8 albs and 2 surplices; 13 amices, 10 corporals, 35 purificators, 22 finger towels, 3 rochets, <sup>word for acolytes</sup> ~~denanta~~ para los arditos; a censer with boat and cyrio pazuel. In the sacristy is a canvas with image of Christ crucified, wash stand and other items. <sup>bundles (faras)</sup>

About the convento rooms have been built for the missionaries to live in, an office, workshop and other rooms; though the work is not finished, it is of stone and as of now most of it is vaulted, which seems not to prove well for which reason it has been ordered to proceed? <sup>with beams</sup> What is in those rooms and offices are mentioned in the inventory and other items.

The mission has sufficient land for corn, beans, water etc and and for use the needed tools as found in the inventories. also there is a forge and needed tools, as also for the carpentry, masonry and workshop, in which there are 3 looms. - The ranch or pueblo is made up of two walls of houses of stone and some huts; they are divided thus the following: 62 <sup>houses</sup> (pans), 20 pots, <sup>p. 26 top</sup> 50 earthen pans, 60 grinding stones and 40 kettles. The people are sufficiently clothed.

~~de la misma~~ <sup>beyond</sup> Of the cattle inclosed there are 500 head and 60 more <sup>roaming free</sup> outside of those ( as in all the missions) are locked up ?

Shepp number a thousand. there is a herd of mares, ~~4~~ 30 young and old and 60 tame horses.

This is the status of this mission in matters spiritual and temporal, at whose registration and attestation said Fr. Commissary Visitador assisted in my presence, the undersigned secretary . Of this i give witness on April 21, 1759.

Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Commissary Visitador. Before me, Fr Joseph Ygnacio Maria Alegre, secretary of the visitation

On April 25, 1759, in this Mission of San Antonio, Rev. Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Bianco, apostolic preacher and Commissary visitador of all the missions belonging to the College of santa Cruz, by our most ~~R~~ev. Fr Jph Antonio de Oliva, Lector Jubilarian, oficer of the holy Inquisition ex-Minister Provincial of the holy Province of Xacatecas, Father of the provinces of the Holy Gospel, Michoacan and Xalisco and Commissary General of all the missions of this New Spain, the adjacent Islands and the Philippines, visited said mission both as to what pertains to the church, the books of administration, the sacred vessels and the other ecclesiastical furnishings, as also the temporal things, in their workshops, and other goods. Because father decided to give an account of the status of that mission to Rev Fr. Guardian and the Ven discretorio and to ~~R~~ev. Fr. Commissary General, ordered me, the

undersigned to place in connection with this the inventories and other measures which should be taken. That this be known he signed with me on said day, month and year, as above.

Fr. Mariano Francisco delos Dolores y Biana, Commissary Visitador - Before me Fr. Jph Ygnacio Maria Alegre, secretary of the visitation.

In this Mission of San Antonio on April 26, 1759, seen and inspected by said Fr. Commissary Visitador the church, sacristy living quarters, offices, books of administration, of accounts, and the inventories of this mission in my presence the undersigned secretary, found it to be in the following state:

In the interior the work on the church is concluding which is being built of stone and lime and is vaulted, very spacious and with no small ability of the art done, which would be found in the moderation of its height. The same room serves as church as is clear in the preceding visitations; in it are on the high altar a wooden table and above it some ledges made of wood with a niche in which stands an image of San Antonio carved about a vara. A baldakin Turkish of a <sup>about</sup> (tenth of) a vara below which is an image of Christ Crucified of a vara and  $3/4$  high; 2 images, one of Holy Mary, of our Sorrowful Mother, and one of San Juan with robes of ribbed silk stuff, garments, cinctures, etc. a Child Jesus of ivory in its niche, and the rest needed for celebrating Mass. [On the other altar is an image of Jesus of Nazareth of a vara with its crown, robe and silk <sup>heavy(?)</sup> ~~sepa~~ (flower?); a carved Christ of  $3/4$ , various squares <sup>(convex)</sup> of different images and other needed items for the Sacrifice of the Mass. Also in the church is a baptismal font with its

cover, all of copper, another stone font for holy water, a confessional, 2 benches, 4 small bells and others <sup>an equal number large</sup> (of equal size) and other items <sup>some necessary; others are 1</sup> needed for adornment. - In the sacristy is a table and above it a baldakin of painted linen, below a painting of San Francisco Xavier of three varas with its gilded frame and other furnishings. - A box made of walnut with three drawers with keys in which are kept: 3 chalices with patens; 2 ciboriums with covers; 2 sets of cruets with plates; 3 oil stocks and a shell for baptism, all of silver. - 9 antependiums of all colors; 9 chasubles with all necessities; a vestment all <sup>7p. 29</sup> of half Persian; another black with dalmatics; another black one of velvet, adorned with lace and with folden fringe, with dalmatics, antependium, etc. 10 corporals, and 7 more; 60 purificators; 7 pairs of altar cloths; 3 copes; 12 cinctures of all kinds. 1 mozzette for the Viaticum; a small antependium for the same; 3 missals, 3 manuals, 1 ritual; 4 altar stones consecrated; 1 mantle; 3 surplices; 2 garments of ribbed silk for our Lord and San Juan; various cloths and ribons for ornament. - A holy water bucket, a censer with boat and spoon; a basin; a cross with hanging, all of copper. All that is necessary to make hosts, to wash the hands and other items found in the inventory. - From the census list of this mission 286 persons belong to the mission. 1406 adults and children have been baptized, 82 since the last visitation made in 1756. 1057 have died, 80 since the last visitation. <sup>in the inventory as also all that has been</sup>

<sup>mention</sup> The convento has not increased or decreased; 16 rooms serve as cells and others as offices, there are two patios, the main one with its corridors above and below, and the other in

well made ~~f/da~~ of 2 varas <sup>h</sup> high with its silver edge; the four reliquiaries embedded in the cross with various relics adorn the cross. There is on a wooden throne with a satin frame and silver fringes, in some iron rods two curtains (veils) of silk with silver fringes which cloak it. A chandelier of wood, 3 nails and corner plates of brass; 12 wooden candlesticks, and one of bronze, 3 crosses, 4 glasses of crystal and 3 small jars. - A box of two varas with key in which are: a red vestemnt of damask, very becoming, 2 antependiums of same material; and other white persiam vestment; an alb, 2 amices, a white antependium, a rug 4 pieces of ~~sai~~ saya for ornament; two rebosos of silk; 3 ~~sitting~~ <sup>manquillos</sup> manquillos, 2 cinctures, 2 finger togels, 1 small bottle with silver nozzle for wine; 2 pieces of ribbon with needle work (embroidered) and other remnants for ornament; various <sup>glass</sup> glass vases; a sculptured san Nicolas anout 1/3; a San Antonio sculptured of one vara; a Santa Rosa painted on silk; an image of our Father San Francisco with Christ, 2 mirrors with frames; a silk mantle, some <sup>rods</sup> rods, about 18 of different kinds of silver and cotton for ornament, an altar stone and other items of less importance. Also said chapel has various instruments for carpentry and masonry which are mentioned in the inventory and do exist.

This mision has the needed fields for corn, beans, pepper, cotton, sugar cane and other grains for maintaining the Indians for whose use are sufficient tools and even more than enough. It has to take care of the cattle and other work 150 horses, 52 mares with two stallions, 35 colts and fillies, and 4 mules. Of the cattle 660 are enclosed and 90 oxen and there are more

*sleeve covers (muffs)*

*bouquet glass flowers*

*rods*

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