## Health Fairs in and around Loreto, B.C.S. REPORT FOR WEEKENDER TEAM — Nov. 28-Dec. 1, 2014

This month our Health Fairs were again in Loreto, as will be our next one January 16-19, then we'll take our Weekender Teams to La Paz for the following 3-4 Health Fairs...

One of the churches in Loreto had moved recently to a new location, so we held our Health Fairs at their new location as way to let the people around it know this church is now closer to them there for their benefit.

While we had held Health Fairs at their church five years ago, Lorraine and I went to their services several times over the past month for us all to get reacquainted, and to encourage them to do their best at the Health Fairs we would be having at their church. And they did do very well—almost every member of their church was present during the weekend to help in some way.

However, we had a slight problem on our end - we ended up not having a doctor. What a disappointment, but it was understandable: We had two doctors agree to come, but then at the last minute they couldn't... But we still had a dentist, we could still give away glasses, we could still check people's blood sugar, to help the know if the had diabetes or learn how to better handle it, and we could still check people's blood pressure too.

Some people were disappointed because we did not have a doctor but the majority of the people understood and we glad for the services we were still able to offer.

One of the young men in the church, whom we have known for probably 8-9 years, was eager to learn from Don how to help people get the right glasses, and then give those to them. So Don took the time to explain a few basics, and how to also use our 'variant sliders' to determine the strength of the glasses needed for either reading or distance, and then how we use the reading of John 3:16 to confirm that the reading lasses we give them work well for them. So Jorge then got started... An hour later I came to Jorge and asked how he was doing, and he responded, "Very well..." So then I explained that after they have read, "God loved us all so much that He sent His only Son into the world to die for us, and for those who believe in Him, they will not live an empty life but they will have eternal life" ask "when using the glasses are the letters clear to your eyes"? (Wait for a response then ask.) "Is the message you have just read clear to your heart?"

Then after you have had some discussion don't ask them to pray but ask, "*Can I pray for you?*" Most times people will say "Yes", so then ask, "*What in your life would you like me to pray for?*" They will then open up and share with you their problems and concerns. Now you have an open door from which you can guide them into the Bible and their need to accept Christ as their own Lord and Savior. Now pray for them appropriately, and God will bless them and you in the process...

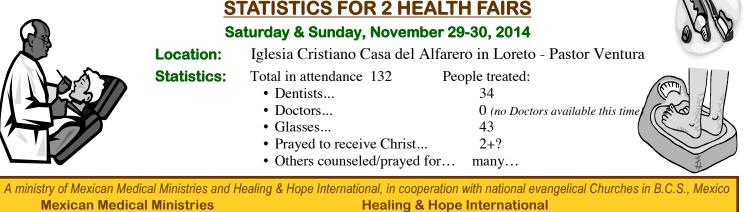
An hour or so passed, and Jorge said to me, "Why didn't you tell me all of this at the start? It's so easy to talk to people this way." I explained that it might likely have been too much at one time, but now you know...

At the end of the day, he said that one person was so impressed with how Jorge gave him his glasses, talked compassionately with him, and then prayed for him, that he would be coming back on Sunday with others in his family - so that they could be prayed for as well.

At the end on Sunday Jorge said, "I want to do this with you again next month, wherever you go..."

This ministry is blessing for many people physically and spiritually and to many Christians it is helping them learn how to talk with others about Christ.

Thank you again too for all your prayers and for your financial support, which help to make this all happen. We praise the Lord for your partnership!



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This storefront church is were we held our Health Fairs this month -its on the Transpeninsular Highway that runs through Loreto...



We are ready with Daniel at the 'Welcome table', and Patricia and Beatriz at our 'Registration table' - and the people lined up...



Patricia or Beatriz record their names and addresses, then they register to see the doctor, the dentist or to get glasses...

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Moises records everyone's height and weight...

*Can I come and help? But I only speak English...* It does help to be able to speak a little Spanish, BUT you could easily record people's height and weight - as an example...

Here's another an idea for someone with English only: Maybe you would like to come and take photos of some of the children, and some of their families too. I have paper and a color printer, (if you could bring the color toner), we could give them a photo of themselves to take home. Some of these children who come to our Health Fairs have never had their picture taken and given it to take home - not just from our Health Fairs, but from anywhere, at anytime in their lives...

They'd love you for coming the rest of their lives ! WOW !



Bonnie or Lorraine recorded everyone's blood pressure...

Susi records Edwardo's blood sugar readings...



Don taught Jorge how to determine what glasses a person would need (reading and/or distance)... Beatrice also assisting...



People waiting their turn would come to our Bible & book table, or be counselled by Pastor Ventura or by his wife Patricia...

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Jan was helping Dentista Yxchel and Assistant Gloria this month...



Jaimie and Wendy helping the kids make a Gospel bracelet ...

While people in the local churches are great helpers, we don't always have all the people we really need. For example, we unfortunately didn't have a doctor at this Health Fair. We had two doctors agree to come, but then the young daughter of one came down with Dengue, so he had to stay home. The other doctor did come to Loreto for the Health Fair, but just hours before we were to begin she was called back to La Paz to handle an emergency case. We certainly did understand both situations, but we were still without a doctor.

Some were disappointed, but the majority appreciated the situation. Also we were in a small church this month, therefore we had fewer people attending the Health Fair. (Why? Because we tell the people in the church that the Health Fair is for their friends, families, neighbors and co-workers - the people they have good relationships with; people they have been praying for. It's an opportunity for these people to now experience in a very tangible way the love of Jesus and to hear the message of salvation. So with fewer church members there will be fewer attendees...)

We always can use an additional Dentist or Hygienist, and use people who'd love to help in our Children's Program those who can come from the US or from Canada to help in these respects of this great ministry are really appreciated!!!

Please pray — we need more Mexican Christian Doctors to help in these Health Fairs. Both the physical and spiritual counselling they can do is truly an exceptional ministry...



It's a small church in a new location, but we were glad to join them Sunday night to praise the Lord for all that was done...



Yxchel and Gloria come from La Paz every month to provide dental services for the people, and often Yxchel brings another person with her as well - this month it was Susi. While we do have many Mexican Christians helping us each month at our Health Fairs, we really would appreciate more people to come from the USA and Canada. Those coming a great distance are truly an encouragement to the local people here - the silent message is this - it is worth the time and expense to share the love of Jesus and the message of salvation with the people here in Mexico. If you're able to come, please note we're in a different location each month. Next: Jan. team is full; Feb.+March in La Paz...

Thank you so much again for your prayers and support for this wonderful ministry, because many people are being blessed physically and spiritually as a result. Thank you!