

# Ministry in Cabo San Lucas

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Greetings to our family and friends,

In our last letter we shared with you how we were starting our third year of the Leadership Training School. Well, we are happy to tell you that we completed it and saw a lot of new pastors that are now hungry for more classes. We will be starting up our fourth season in October. Because a lot of the pastors in Cabo San Lucas have attended for two years and some the third we will need to provide something different or simply encourage them to send their leaders in the church. We are wanting to continue a second year in San Jose del Cabo and hope we will see some new pastors.

We have always had a heart for the pastors and to see them grow. Many of them have not had a lot of or any biblical teachings outside of their own pastor. Of course, this is one main reason for these classes. Another important need is for them to have someone to talk to outside of their church, someone who can love on them, encourage them, pray with them and at times, disciple them. This is another area that we want to develop more this season in our ministry.

For several years now we have had the opportunity to connect with a couple ladies from Minnesota. They have helped several ministries with building projects, sports activities, children's ministries and women's ministries here in Cabo. A couple years ago they started holding a women's conference that focused on battered women. They also have brought their pastor down to teach the men. They mostly worked with two local churches. (Just a note: most of the pastors here in Cabo do not do ministry together very often unless they know each other very well.) So on that note, when these ladies wanted to do an area women's conference, they were surprised at the outcome. Women from many different churches attended. They repeated this conference this last April which had about 14 different churches represented. We had breakfast with them the day after and they shared that they believed the success of having so many different churches involved was because of the school. The school had brought many of the pastors together and the barriers had been dropped. A year ago there was a citywide outreach where people from different churches shared God's message of salvation to the people and after praying with those who wanted to come to Jesus Christ, they asked them where they lived so that they could give them the name of the church that was closest to them.

God is working in this community.

Now we would like you to pray for the community of San Jose del Cabo as they are not quite as united as of yet.

## Life away from Cabo

We have been up in Denver, Colorado since June. We arrived and two days later drove to Oshkosh, Wisconsin for a wedding, funeral and seeing Gary's aunts, uncles and cousins. It was a great time to see those who have encouraged us through the years of our ministry.

After coming back to Denver we got busy helping our youngest daughter and her husband finish getting their house ready to sale, watched our two grandsons as often as we could, helped them with a yard sale, packing the things they were shipping to England, moving to a temporary place to live and then putting them on a plane and having to do one of the hardest things, say good-bye. We never knew that two little boys could take a hold of our hearts so tight. They took a seven day cruise to England (was great as they did not have jet lag.) They are getting settled and will start their work with YWAM this month.

We have had good times with our other grandkids and our daughter and with our son. We are so thankful for our family.

So after 21/2 months of mostly helping our daughter we realize that we do not have much time left here in Colorado. (We would not have done this summer any different as we enjoyed helping her out and glad that we could). By the time this letter goes out we will have traveled to Oregon to attend a wedding and to visit friends and supporters. We will be heading back to Cabo by the 1st of October.

We want to thank all who have supported us and continue to support us, for your prayers and words of encouragement. We have seen God work in so many ways in Cabo San Lucas and we know that He still has us there to do whatever we can to help share His love with the Mexican people. Without each of you we could not continue to do this.

We would love hearing from you and catching up on what is going on in your life.

God bless,

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