

# Gabriel House of Mexico

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## Easter Celebration at Gabriel House

The children at the Gabriel House were very excited to see that a group of their friends from New Hampshire, Oregon and Mexican Medical Ministries had finally arrived to celebrate Easter with them.

For weeks, they had been hearing about all the great things we had planned and were anxious for the day to arrive. There were lots of squeals when we brought out the sugar cookies for them to decorate (and eat! - Teddy and Omar's favorite thing to do) and intense concentration as they weaved ribbon and glued on flowers for their Easter basket (Antonio's was perfectly done). There was lots of laughter as they looked for Easter eggs filled with stickers and prizes, finding them in very unusual places; hanging from the light fixtures, tucked in someone's shirt pocket and in Victor's chair. (Jose couldn't get over that one).



As the day progressed we also took the time to discuss the real reason we celebrate Easter. Was the true meaning all about Easter eggs, cookies and bunnies? As we shared the Easter story using the Resurrection Eggs, the Bible and a children's Easter book, we saw what the true meaning of Easter was. They all agreed that while the other things are lots of fun, that the most important thing to remember was that Jesus died on the cross for our sins so that we would no longer be separated from the God who loves us. The best part of the story was when the children saw that the stone had been rolled away and that the tomb was empty. When I asked them where Jesus was, Alex pointed to heaven and to his heart. What a great reminder for all of us - Jesus went to heaven to prepare a place for us to be with Him for eternity and that He lives in our hearts, to guide and direct us until that day.

We ended the day singing praises to the Lord and thanking Him for all He has done for us.

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