

Greetings from Loreto Mexico...





News from Don & Lorraine - June 1, 2018

Two highlights from this past month we'd like to share with you...

There've been more people attending our <u>Sunday English Church Services</u> this past year, so we have chosen to continue them through to June 10, instead of concluding them for the season at the end of April. As a result we will likely resume them sometime in October, rather than waiting until November - that will depend on when some of the people who've been attending return to Loreto...

We were at the <u>Prison in Santa Rosalia</u> for 3 days (May 25-27) and we had a great time! We found there'd been a reduction in the number of men currently there — this prison was built many years ago to house 105 men but in 2015 there had 274 inmates, and currently there are 160 men and 1 woman. So it is still very overcrowded, but not as bad as it has been. However the State Government had also cut the number of guards significantly, making it difficult for the remaining guards and for us. We were not allowed to bring a doctor this time, because they said they don't <u>have</u> sufficient guards currently to keep us all secure when there.

In any case, we were glad to have 3 dentists, 1 dental assistant, and 4 other volunteers on the Team this time. Together we provided services to xx inmates, and all were glad to receive some spiritual counselling—except for one man. This man, having heard Yolanda praying with another man, very emphatically stated that he did not want to speak to her; and then quickly walked away. However on Saturday, after Don had told the story of Zacchaeus to all of the inmates at our General Inmate Meeting, he asked if he could have a Bible. Praise the Lord, he's now interested in learning about Jesus and how he could change his life.

Following our morning devotions, the Director said how glad he was that the six men to whom he is responsible in the State Government Offices were at the Prison during our Health Fair. Enrique said he'd told them many times over the years about us and how we go about changing people lives — and he was so glad that this time they were able to see for themselves what we do.

Thank you again for your prayers for us and the ministries we're involved in.

We continually praise the Lord for your partnership!

Warmly,

Don & Lorraine

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