



Health Fairs in and around Loreto, B.C.S.

Bringing more than physical blessings...

REPORTING TO YOU ABOUT OUR WEEKENDER TEAMS – November 2-3-4, 2018



Only a few months ago, there had been terrible unrest in the La Paz Prison. Several people were hurt badly, some killed, and even the Director lost one of his eyes as he got beat up pretty bad. This 'unrest' was not inmates objecting to their living conditions in the prison as you might have expected. Rather we have been told it was the five major drug cartels fighting against each other – in the prison. So the problems that you hear about on your TV's and in the news, problems that happen in some of the streets of some of the major cities in Mexico, (thankfully not everywhere in Mexico!), has now made its way into the prisons.

Despite these problems, the Lord paved the way a few years ago for us to take our evangelistic Health Fairs into this prison, as well as the one in Santa Rosalia. We were in the La Paz prison during the critical lock-down period of time earlier this year just after the fighting had broken out that I mentioned when the Director lost his eye. During this 'lock-down' all of the inmates were restricted to their cells, and could only come out for special purposes when escorted by two guards. Visitors in general had only limited access during this period, and no groups of people were allowed entry – except our Health Fair Team. (The Lord had led us some years ago to obtain the correct legal paperwork that would permit us to conduct our Health Fairs throughout the State of Baja California Sur, and that included the prisons.)

We have been asked, *"Even though you have this legal status, with these problems in the prisons do you feel safe?"*

There is a big difference between two questions: *"Do you feel safe?"* and *"Are you safe?"* While we may not 'be safe', we do 'feel safe' — in fact it's quite amazing how relaxed everyone on our Team was during our time in the La Paz prison this month. (Actually we not only 'felt safe' we were 'safe', because we had no problems whatsoever.) However I want to let you know that this 'relaxed feeling of being safe' comes only from a close walk with the Lord. So joining our Teams is definitely not for everyone; and

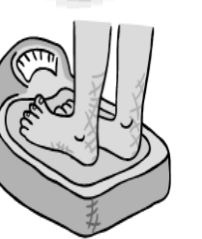
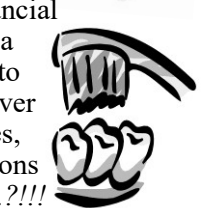
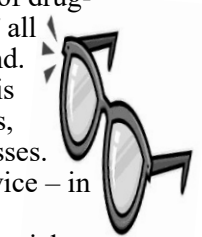
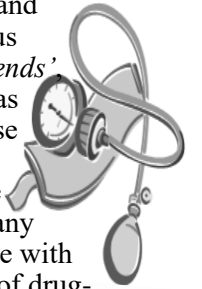
this is why we are careful when accepting each participant for these particular Weekender Teams.

We believe it is because of this close relationship with Jesus Christ that our Team members have with the Lord that has yielded such 'lasting fruit' from this ministry. Jesus told his disciples in John 15 that they were not his servants but his 'friends' — this term describes the 'close relationship' his disciples had with Jesus. Jesus also said to his 'friends' that He had 'chosen' them, and that he had 'called' them to carry on with His ministry and produce 'lasting fruit'. In these same verses Jesus qualified why these particular men were his 'friends' and while others were not — that qualification was that they possessed and expressed 'love' for those around them. This is the 'other feeling' we have when in these prisons — a unique 'love' for these inmates, guards and staff. I cannot explain it in any other way than to tell you that, we enjoy our time with the people in these prisons, despite their crimes of drug-trafficking, robbery, murder, etc. We just 'love' all of them, in a way many people cannot understand.

Over the three days we were in this prison this time, there were 139 people who saw our doctors, dentists, and/or received reading or distance glasses. All of these people receiving more than one service — in fact there were a total of 336 services given...

Thank you so much for your prayers and financial support that help to make these outreaches such a success. No other group is now allowed to go into these prisons to do what we do — and this time over 40 people prayed to receive Christ into their lives, and almost all of the others we saw asked questions and were prayed for. *How wonderful is all this...?!!!*

So your partnership with us in this worthwhile ministry is greatly appreciated! Thank you!



STATISTICS FOR 4 HEALTH FAIRS

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3-4, 2018

Location: The State Prison in La Paz, BCS, Mexico - 5 hours south of Loreto...

Statistics:	Total people seen: 139	People treated:
• Dentists...		46
• Doctors...		41
• Glasses...		120
• Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar...		129
• Prayed to receive Christ...		40+
• Others counseled/prayed for...		Many...



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The Director of this State Prison has a praying mother — another reason why these doors have been opened to us...



As each inmates arrives they are greeted by these Pastors, given tracts, talked to while they wait for their turn to be served...



1. Lorraine greets each man or woman: (inmate, guard or staff person), with a warm smile, shows concern for each one, and then asks how we can help them — then she proceeds to registers them accordingly...
2. Each person is impressed with her care and attention, and they feel the love of Jesus — maybe for the first time in their lives...
3. Next they wait their turn to have their blood pressure and blood sugar readings taken — and receive counsel on how to manage their lives in a godly manner — something they've possibly never considered before...
4. While waiting, local pastors who have joined our Team will talk with them, answer their questions, pray with them, and promise to come and visit them after our Team is gone...

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Checking each person's blood pressure and blood sugar readings..., and introducing them to the love of Jesus...

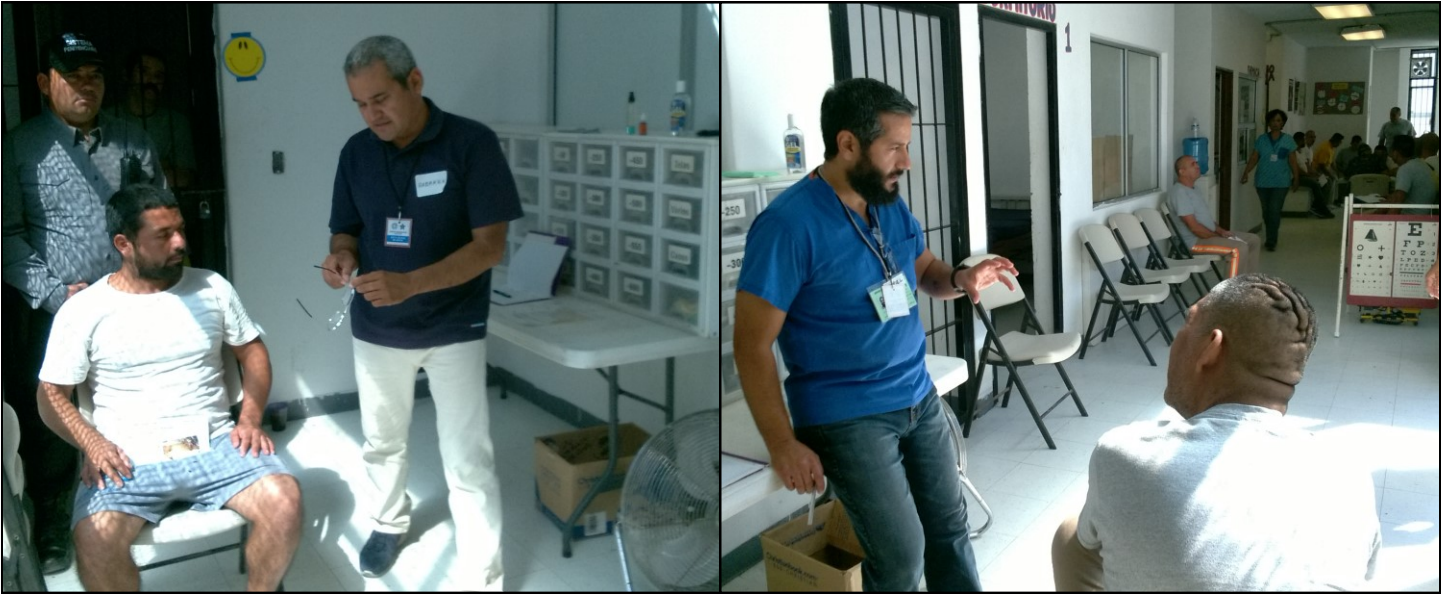


Dr. Male listens to their physical concerns, diagnoses the physical problem — gives them medicine, and tells them of God's love...



Dra. Yxchel and her dentists worked very hard on each patient, and each one felt the love of Jesus touch them in a remarkable way...

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It's not just giving them glasses — through which we share the love of Jesus — but then sharing the message of salvation as well...



Answering questions..., sharing again the message of salvation..., and praying for those with receptive hearts...



Pray these doors will remain open to us..., and that many inmates, guards and staff will be impressed with the love of Jesus, the message of salvation and will accept Him as Savior.

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!