

Blessed be Your Name

We had a wonderful time hanging out and serving with fellow missionaries in Loreto, BCS. The goal was to bless and encourage the **new church plant** of Pastor Hermilo and Ely, as well as provide a health fair and opportunities to share the love of Christ in their community. During the two-day outreach, 80 people made decisions for Christ. We enjoyed our time ministering, but there are some real difficulties.



Going into the weekend, Pastor Hermilo and Ely were tired, and maybe even a bit discouraged. It had been a hard first year. Their bakery, Bread of Life, was not enjoying the same success it had had in Los Cabos, and they had not been receiving much support from their denomination. We are praying for renewed vigor and excitement as they enjoy following up with and discipling these new believers.

We travelled as part of the advance team to Los Cabos to help prepare for the Loreto outreach and provide transportation for part of our team. We made the most of our time there by heading over to Alpha & Omega Church to help with the children's feeding program. For the last 12 years, Pastor Juan Ángel and Paty have been feeding children in the community surrounding their little church and teaching them from the Bible. It is truly a special place, but also a place with many spiritual and physical needs.

During the hurricane season, it's not uncommon for entire areas of the community to be washed away by flooding. With that comes disease, and many other related problems.

A week and a half after we had just visited and enjoyed a meal with the children, a tropical storm came through and again flooded areas of this community. We don't know the full extent of the damage, but have learned that three families lost their homes. They were able to seek refuge at the church for now. The kitchen at the church was also flooded. They are in the process of cleaning up even as we write this update.



Like the chorus "Blessed by Your Name", we are reminded that we can trust and thank God in both the blessings and difficult times. Thank you for working with us as we help serve our brothers and sisters in Mexico. Please pray for Pastor Hermilo and Ely as they seek to pastor the new believers in their community. Please pray for Pastor Juan Ángel and Paty as they continue to meet the physical and spiritual needs in this impoverished area of Los Cabos.

Click on the following facebook link — [Loreto Outreach - Southern Baja 2019](#) — to see photos and read more about our trip.

Wayne and Erin Hilliker
 wayne.hilliker@gmail.com
 eghilliker@gmail.com

