

Health Fairs in and around Loreto, B.C.S. Bringing more than physical blessings... **REPORT FOR** WEEKENDER TEAM – April 24-27, 2015

Each month we give you more information about where we live, what the people are like here and how this ministry meets the needs of the people living in Baja Sur, Mexico.

Sometimes in a place we find one thing that stands out. This month it was people who could not hear, people who could not talk, and/or people who had organs inside their bodies in different places than normal - according to our doctor. Why would this be the case, and why would many people in this particular area have these conditions?

Because of what we know about this area, there are at least 3 possible reasons: (1) There is a lot of farming done in and around Constitución, and they use crop dusters to spray insecticides - without thinking of how this might be affecting the people working below and others who live in these areas. (2) There are many people in the areas around where we live, in which cousins and other closer relatives have inter-married. (3) Also, when people do not know or respect God they do not always have a good standard of what is right and wrong - and this can lead to what we'd label as 'an immoral lifestyle.' But for them they're simply 'amoral' because they neither know nor do they respect such standards. The Bible, and our society calls this having 'incestuous relations'; and the Bible clearly states that this kind of lifestyle is to be completely avoided - and for good reasons. One reason being, the physical deformities that are caused in the children of such relationships.

One man came to our Health Fair wanting to talk with a doctor about a physical problem he had but he wouldn't talk to him with the nurse present; so to give him his privacy she left the room, and prayed for him. The doctor listened as he shared his situation and shame; and then the doctor gave his diagnosis and prescription. After which the doctor lovingly shared with him the way of salvation and he gladly received *all of this happen. We do praise the Lord, for your* Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior - thanking God that all his sins could be totally forgiven...

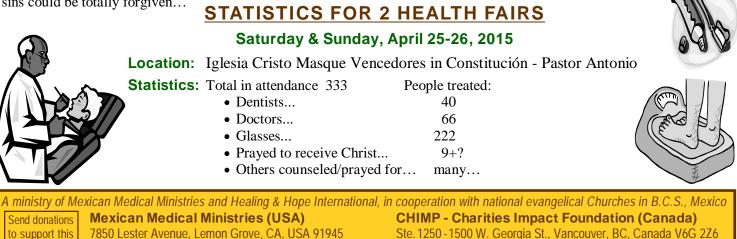
Many people in the areas we minister in have come to disregard God, because of what they have seen and/or heard in both the Christian and non-Christian churches. What a sad commentary! But we are here showing them the love of Jesus, and sharing with them the message of salvation and people are responding positively!

Before holding our Health Fairs we go to the church in which we will be holding the Health Fair, and preach about the need to not only believe in Jesus, but to also live for Him! We must no longer be living for our own selfish desires - rather, we must be living for the Kingdom of God. In II Cor. 5:17-20 it says - we are to be 'Ambassadors for Christ.' In other words, we must be living our lives in a way that attracts people to the Kingdom of God, and we must be explaining to these people how they too can become part of this Kingdom of God. This is our calling and it's our responsibility! We have been entrusted with the 'ministry of reconciliation ... '

We explain, these Health Fairs are therefore to help them as they try to live up to their '*calling*' - as explained. And so as their family, friends, neighbors and the people they work with, see their changed lives and as they build relationships with these people, then these people will be open to the Gospel. And so when they are invited to the Health Fairs, (and its an easy invitation), they'll experience the love of Jesus and be open to receive the message of salvation...

As the people in these churches start living this way, we see more people being brought to Christ...

Thank you so much again for helping to make partnership!



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This Church began only 2 years ago, and is already reaching out to its neighbors in wonderful ways - great to be apart of it...



After a welcoming smile and everyone is registered..., we begin taking their vital statistics-height and weight, etc...



Blood pressure and blood sugar readings are recorded - again with smiles and by treating them with the love of Jesus...

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Foot care is given by Jan to those with Diabetes..., and Steve dispensed glasses to many people this weekend...



Dr. Avila and his wife Soledad (a nurse) consulted with many patients - praying with many as well...



Dentista Yxchel and her Assistant Gloria, also worked very hard this past weekend...

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Our Children's Program was conducted by the young people from this church, and they did a wonderful job of teaching lessons in nutrition, how to brush teeth, and how to wash hands, etc...



Then they taught the children how to make "the wordless bracelet" - each bead a different color, representing the various aspects of why we need a Savior, how Jesus is our Savior, and what it means to be 'saved'...



Pastor Antonio and his wife Lourdes did so much to make this weekend a success - counselling people, praying for people, and treating everyone with great love. Please pray for them as they now need to move this church to a larger facility...

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!