



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

*Bringing more than physical blessings...*

## REPORTING TO YOU ABOUT OUR WEEKENDER TEAM – March 11-14, 2016



This has been a very exciting month! A few weeks ago we received an email from Susan & Curtis Mix, explaining that the Lord was leading them to join our March Team... Then they arrived a few days before the Team and started sharing how the Lord was leading them to become more involved in our ministries on a more regular basis.

WOW! - It was just a few weeks ago that we started to share with people that we felt we needed to start reducing our work load, due to the fact that we're getting older - next week I'll be 69; and in June Lorraine will be 70... The Lord continues to amaze us and to encourage us - showing us we are not to have fewer Health Fairs, just because we may not be able to do everything we were doing when we moved to Loreto over 12 years ago... The Lord will keep it going!

Then we received a phone call from a couple we have known for several years - they live in Insurgentes, 1½ hours southwest of Loreto. They wanted to drive to Loreto just to talk to us, and then return home the same evening. WOW! They arrived and shared how the Lord has been leading in their lives, and how they too want to become involved in as many of our Health Fairs as possible. They are both school teachers, and work until 3 PM on Fridays - after which they will come to most of our Health Fairs - to lift all the heavy items and to help with anything else we need to set up our Health Fairs. Then they'll return each Saturday and Sunday to do whatever might be needed. This weekend Salvador learned how to dispense glasses; and Odi learned what all is involved in our 'foot care' station at our Health Fairs - and their daughter helped as well, while the other two children enjoyed themselves in our children's ministry...

Two years ago we had been in Insurgentes at the church that Odi is a member of, and it was then that Odi shared her story with me about how she became a Christian - you may remember us sharing with you... Odi explained, "It began with a car accident just south of San Quintin when I was travelling with a friend and we had a bad car accident so

*we were taken to one of the local hospitals.."* Odi went on, "We were all cared for with a love like I had never experienced before. A man even flew my friend to San Diego for more medical help; and at no cost to us...! But before they left the pilot took time to explain God's love for us..., and then he helped me pray the sinner's prayer..."

Odi continued saying, "But I don't remember the names of the hospital, the doctor or the pilot."

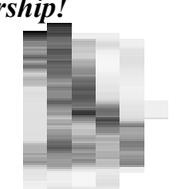
So I asked Odi when this car accident happen, and she said it was back in the summer of 1999.

I then surprised her by telling her, "This all happened at the Hospital Buen Pastor..., the doctor's name was Dr. Gonzales, and the pilot's name was Joe Vaine..." Then Odi in shock interrupted me saying, "You're right! But how do you know all this?"

I then told her that I had been living at Hospital Buen Pastor at that time, leading teams from the USA and Canada; and that I remembered being one of the people who had helped load her friend into the plane, and that I also had been praying for her as Joe had been explaining the way of salvation to her.

After we had shared all of this with each other, Odi broke down with tears saying, "And here we are now - you and me serving the Lord together ... And you were there from the very beginning for me..."

Now it is two years later, and the Lord is bringing us together again in service for Him - and we're excited to see just how wonderful the plan of the Lord is for us and for this great ministry of helping people with both their physical and spiritual needs. This time was no exception. We had a great team of workers and volunteers; and many people were impressed with the love of God and received the message of salvation. **Thank you too for helping to make all of this happen. We praise the Lord for your partnership!**



### STATISTICS FOR 2 HEALTH FAIRS

**Saturday & Sunday, March 12-13, 2016**

**Location:** Iglesia Centro Cristiano Aposento Alto (Pastors Pepe & Maria) ...about 2½ hours southwest of Loreto in Constitución

<b>Statistics:</b> Total in attendance	195	People treated:	
• Dentists...			56
• Doctors...			65
• Glasses...			122
• Prayed to receive Christ...			4+?
• Others counseled/prayed for...			many...



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This church has been here for almost 50 years - and we were glad to be helping them reach out to this community once again...



Don is speaking to the crowd of workers on Saturday morning, encouraging them on how to share their faith successfully...



People register as they come, giving their names and contact info; then go to the 2nd table to receive reservations to see the doctors...

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Curtis records height and weight; Lorraine and Marta record blood sugar readings; and others record blood pressure readings..



Susan, a 'Nurse Practitioner' teaches those with diabetes how to eat properly and how to care for themselves...



Jan cares for the feet of those with diabetes; and Odi learns how to do this as well - a very impactful aspect of our Health Fairs...

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While people wait their turn to see a doctor or a dentist, or to receive glasses, many come to our Bible and book table...



Dr. Avila counsels one lady as Dr. Rodolfo counsels another. As well as people wait, people from the church counsel others...



A very busy time - great to have more dentists...

Dentista Bonnie treated patients in the church, while Assistant Gloria and Dentisa Yxchel treated patients in the mobile office...



Salvador, Steve and David helped many people with their need for distance and reading glasses - using the Gospel of John...

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Odi, Salvador and their three children... Salvador helped with dispensing glasses, while Odi helped in our 'foot care' ministry...



Curtis and Dr. Susan joined us from Oregon, and they are seeking the Lord's guidance about possibly moving to Loreto...

*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!*