



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

Bringing more than physical blessings...

REPORTING TO YOU ABOUT OUR WEEKENDER TEAMS – November 9-13, 2017



As you may have likely heard, we have made a change with regards to our Health Fairs: we will now be focusing only on the Prisons in Santa Rosalia (where we've held our outreaches once or twice each year for the past eight years), and in La Paz (where we began ministries last March).

This month we were glad to be back in La Paz, and glad to have many people from La Paz who were on our Team six months ago, on our Team again this November.

We'd heard recently there had been some administrative changes in this prison so we were unsure as to how well we would be received this month; however everything went very well! This time we even felt the staff and guards to be friendlier, and that there was not as much tension between the guards and the inmates. (Thank you so much for your prayers.)

You may remember us mentioning before how difficult it'd been for years for pastors to have access into the prison to minister to the inmates, yet how wonderful it'd been that the Prison had asked us to come with our Health Fairs. So we had some pastors with us last time, not only to help us with our Health Fairs, but also hoping that as a result the doors would begin to open for them...

Well we were so glad to discover upon arriving this time that Pedro and Rosita, (pastors in La Paz), who were two of those who were with us last time, (and they were with us again this time) - that they had been having Bible Studies every Saturday in the La Paz Prison since our Outreach last Spring - Pedro leading one Bible Study for the men, while Rosita led another Bible Study for the women. We were overjoyed to learn that the doors we were praying about were opening...

We were then very pleased to be introduced to several of the inmates who had made decisions for Christ last Spring when we were there, (who had been attending these Bible Studies), and to learn that they were continuing to grow in their faith and to be strong in the Lord. How exciting!

As we began each day Don gave everyone on our Team encouragement and instructions from the Word and then we prayed together. The first day it was about exemplifying our transformed lives...

On the second day Don encouraged everyone to pray for the inmates, but before doing so, to ask the inmate what they'd like us to pray about for them. This approach opened the hearts of many of the inmates, and discussions followed..., and then many of the inmates (men and women) were being led to Christ. It was amazing; and we could not keep track of the numbers...

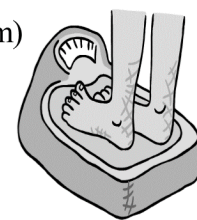
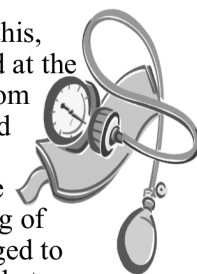
One man whose cell was adjacent to all of this, heard Don's messages in the mornings and said at the end of our Health Fairs that he'd heard talks from the Bible before, but this time he felt he'd heard the 'truth' whereas before he'd been unsure...

After our Health Fair on Sunday, Don spoke to a large crowd of men, and after to a gathering of women - and all of these inmates were challenged to reconsider how fair God really is; and the fact that there is only one way to heaven. Don then encouraged them to read it for themselves, and then he offered them New Testaments and Bibles - and about 200 who listened asked for them...

Dr. Ricardo's been helping us in our Health Fairs for just over a year, and just a short time ago he was offered a job in this Prison. Now as a result the Health Fairs this weekend the inmates know that their doctor is a Christian and they can go to him almost anytime...

The Lord is definitely doing a work here: the doors are opening, the inmates are responding, follow-up is happening, and your prayers are being answered...

Thank you so much again for helping to make all of this happen. We do praise the Lord, for your partnership!



STATISTICS FOR 3 HEALTH FAIRS

Friday, Saturday & Sunday - November 1, 11, and 12, 2017

Location: State Prison: "Centro de Reinserción Social" (CE.RE.SO)
- in La Paz - a 5 hours drive south of Loreto...

Statistics: This prison has about 750 inmates; we saw 179 (about 25% of them)

- Dentist gave services to... 59 people...
- Doctors gave consultations to... 34 people...
- Glasses were given to... 143 people...
- People prayed to receive Christ... We lost count = many...
- Others counseled/prayed for... Many...



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This is the prison, located in the center of the city of La Paz — the capital of the State of Baja California Sur...

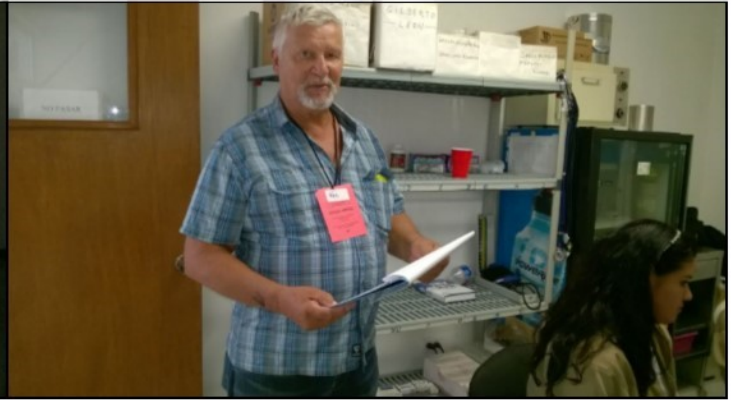


Lorraine teaches and manages many of our volunteers... The hall in the administration area where many wait and are counselled...



Pastora Rosita registers each inmate, men and women, before they are given any services — Gospels of John given to everyone...

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Pastor Rene and Pastor Pedro check and record each person's height and weight.; Ken checks to make sure everything is in order...



Linda checks and records blood pressure and blood sugar levels; in the process each one is introduced to Christ ...



Natanael also check blood pressure & blood sugar...

At times a doctor is brought in when the readings are high...



After some discussion Natanael (if appropriate) will direct an inmate into the Bible to the appropriate 'truth' they need to hear...

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Dr. Ricardo (above) is now a full-time doctor in this prison, and consults with the inmates according to their specific need: body, soul, and spirit... (Right): Dra. Lupita and Dra. Malé were also a great help this weekend.



Dentists Yxchel and Bonnie were assisted by Gloria and Jetro... Together they worked on almost sixty (60) people over these three days, sharing the love of Jesus and relieving the pain many were experiencing...

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Manuel and Habucuc gave out glasses, and shared the message of salvation with almost 150 inmates over these three days...



Each time using the Gospel of John, and having them read John 3:16 - God loved you and gave His Son for you...



Oscar and Gabriel were there to help as well — give out tracts, having discussions, and praying with many...



Oscar, Ivan and Rene were always busy talking with the men, sharing the love of Christ, and explaining the message of salvation...

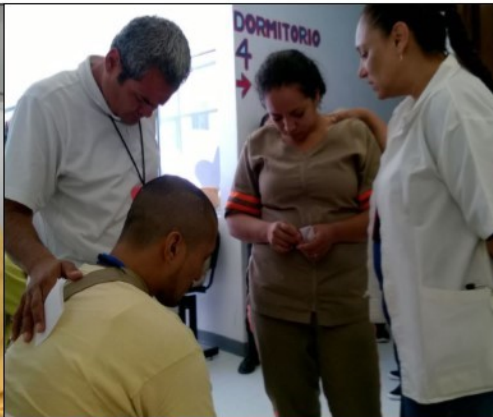
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These two inmates are married - married before they came into prison - each in prison for separate crimes... Habacuc shared the message of salvation with them... I took their picture at their request and am giving them copies for each to have in their respective cells... Pray for Saul and Cintia



Habacuc, Manuel, Oscar, Rafa, Ivan, Malé and Rene: all seen here praying with inmates — most receiving Christ as savior...



To the right are some of those who were on our Team this month, and they are so excited with all that has taken place over these few days...

If you would like information about how you could join one of our Teams, or how you could financially support this great ministry, please send an email to us at:

loreto.ministries@gmail.com

You could be such a blessing to so many people — it could even 'jumpstart you' into a whole new phase of your life...

** Think about it - pray about it... **

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!