

# Mission News

Foundation for His Ministry - Transforming communities in Mexico starting with kids.



## Give Different

### Books, Shoes, Uniforms – Cheryl Trevor, Baja School Director

"Briseida came to our children's home during her last year and half of elementary school. Her life had been so unstable that she had intermittently attended school, missing months of classes each year. Our first meeting in my office was unforgettable. We sat down to figure out what grade level she should be in. She spoke confidently and politely and assured me that she knew how to read. But as we worked together, every response that she gave me was incoherent. As she answered comprehension questions about the story we read, her answers had nothing to do with the story we were reading. Her math calculations had no semblance to any solutions I had ever seen. It seemed that everything she produced made no sense at all.

We have had the privilege of working with Briseida for several years now, and she has received the gift of consistent, faith-based education in a small classroom where she can get the attention she needs. Briseida is now at the top of her 8th-grade class. She has blossomed in reading and writing and is excellent at problem-solving. She is currently studying algebra and is perfectly capable of learning the new concepts that she encounters.

Briseida's future has changed. She will have the possibility to go to university one day if she wants. She can break the cycle of poverty in her family by choosing a career. A world of possibilities has opened to her because she has been able to go to school and truly learn."

### San Quintin daycare – Keila Maresa, San Quintin Daycare Supervisor

"There is a family with 2 children in kindergarten at the Daycare. They came to Baja in hopes of finding work in the fields to provide for their children. The parents are very responsible and good about getting their children to us almost every day. They work every day and take one day off so they can be with their children.

I remember when the dad first came and looked at the places, he said, "there should be more places like this and people like you that help families – I want my kids here." It makes me so happy that the children can be here and have time to be a family. The dad told me that they can now provide things for their kids, spend quality time together, and get something like ice cream – the ability to show them love.

This is just one small example of many at the Daycare – how lives are being impacted. Not just for the kids, but for the parents too. In October, we celebrated 3 years open – and this family and many others have been blessed. This makes my heart so happy, and I know that the Lord is in this."

### Christmas – Annie Schmidt, Sponsorship Supervisor

"Christmas is such a special time for the kids in the Oaxaca mission. I remember one year when I was house mom that we decorated for Christmas. We were decorating the tree and the lights we put on played music. So, this started a dance party with all of the girls. One of them got so excited that she decided to hug the tree, and it fell over. We all had a good laugh, and it is such a fond memory.

As the Sponsorship Coordinator in Oaxaca, I help buy presents for the kids. We don't always know what their lives were like before the mission, but we know that we can celebrate this memorable time because of our sponsors."



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# Attitude of Gratitude...

"I am grateful about the good news happening at FFHM!

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve at FFHM and talk to our wonderful supporters!

I am grateful to be able to serve and help others during their time of need!

I am grateful to have a place of employment where we can pray and share our faith!

I am grateful for all the FFHM staff that serve in a foreign country to be a blessing to others!

I am grateful to have a purpose in life doing God's work and serving others!"

## **Gregg McNelley**

*US Office Operations Manager*

"This year we are grateful for the incredible people that God has brought to our lives; without a doubt our lives have been enriched by everyone of them. Above all, we are thankful for amazing team of people we work with in the mountains."

## **Esteban and Yadira Valadez**

*Oaxaca Mountain Outreach Supervisors*

"18 years ago my mom and I arrived to FFHM. To be part of this family has been a gift from God. Through my growth I have seen the love and provision of God through the children and those who serve them. When I was a little girl I always wanted to be part of the life of the children and today God has given me the blessing of caring for and loving 10 girls. Every day I ask God to change their stories. I know God has brought them with a purpose and I feel privileged to be a part of the plan that God has prepared for them. In the same way I am grateful to God that he put in the heart of Sister Charla Perea love for the children. Today we are seeing the fruit of what God put in her heart. Thank you to everyone who economically and spiritually sustains this ministry."

## **Judith Juarez**

*Baja Housemother*

"I am grateful because I was taken out of a place where they treated me badly. I am also grateful for the Foundation and how they put people around me to show me love. Also God never forgets me. He loves me how I am and he forgives me."

## **Viridiana**

*Child in the Baja home*

"This year I am so grateful for the amazing leaders Jesus has called, empowered and positioned at FFHM. In the face of many challenges, they have continued to make sacrifices, dream dreams for the kids, love one another, work hard, and keep their eyes on Jesus Christ. Of course, my highest praise goes to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit who have been available to us these fifty-five years and who have been at work through the many thousands of people who have helped FFHM bless families and communities throughout Mexico by caring for orphans, making disciples, and revealing the character of God."

## **Bill Dwyer**

*President of Board of Directors*

"This year I am grateful because God has been good to me. I am going to finish my degree in law this next December, which is one step away from meeting one more goal in my life. During all of this adventure in my studies I have had highs and lows. But I always knew that behind me were people praying that God would fulfill His purpose in me. And that is what gave me the courage to get up and continue fighting. I will be eternally grateful to FFHM for the support that was given to me. Without a doubt, God put them in my path for a reason and that reason is about to serve its purpose."

In the same way, I am grateful for the friendships I have been able to form during this adventure. And I will go trusting that God will continue being faithful with me in the goals that I have laid out, for that and more I am grateful to Him."

## **Obed Soto**

*University student in Tijuana*

"I'm grateful for:

- Gods loving grace.
- His plan for me and His willingness to continue work in me.
- God redeems lives through this place: Children's home, Rancho de Cristo, Outreach."

## **Greg Law**

*Baja Guest Relations*

"This year I am grateful because I was able to savor the faithfulness of God in my life, who gives me His protection, His provision, His grace, His love...His love that overflows and shines more in my best days, His love that is a lighthouse of hope in the days when I have fear, His love that is always with me."

This year I am grateful because I was able to meet Young men and women who have a deeper desire to overcome in their lives through studying and work. These are young people who understand the value of a good education as the base of being productive change agents in society. These are young people who are in the process of affirming their faith in God, maintaining their convictions in the midst of a hostile and competitive world. These young people have won my heart, despite the times they can be challenging, noisy, or forget to do their chores. God is good!!"

## **Lude Rodriguez**

*Supervisor of Tijuana Young Adults Transition Apartments*

"This year I am grateful for rain. We had an incredible rainy season this year in Oaxaca. In June it rained almost everyday. And then in September it rained almost everyday. What a blessing! We have not had a lot of rain for the last few years, and our wells were at the lowest levels ever. I am the gardener at the Oaxaca mission and I had to cut back on irrigation for the soccer and baseball fields. They were an ugly brown for a long time, but now they are a vibrant green, and hopefully will stay that way, even as the rainy season has come to an end, because now our wells are at the highest levels they have ever been. "For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God." Hebrews 6:7"

## **Santiago Schwab**

*Oaxaca Landscaper*

"As a single father, I am grateful to have a safe place for my daughters to be while I am at work."

## **Hernandez Lopez Family**

*San Quintin Daycare*

"I am firstly grateful to God for life and health, grateful for Rafa's house and the person in charge, I am able to see life differently because of the devotionals we have every morning and evening. I had an encounter with God and I am grateful to be a changed man."

## **Jorlando Fragoso**

*Man from Rafa's House*

"This year I am grateful for my health and because I am going to go to school."

## **Santos**

*Child in Sinaloa Breakfast Club*

"This year I am grateful for my job. God has blessed me with such incredible people and with such a beautiful place to live."

## **Zenaida Ambrosio**

*Sinaloa Outreach Worker*

"For the tools I am gaining in the Bible Institute and the opportunity to apply them in ministry and in my personal life."

## **Isai Ramirez**

*Bible Institute Student*

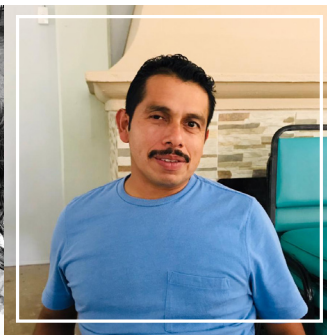






*"Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!  
For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."*

*- Psalm 100:4-5*







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