

MISSION NEWS

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



GRATITUDE

I just returned from a 12-day speaking trip in Oregon and Washington. I love these trips because I get to meet and connect with some of the amazing people who are a part of our team through financial support, volunteering and sponsorship.

I love when I hear a pastor tell their congregation “we have a ministry in Mexico.” They understand that we are all working together, doing our part to expand the Kingdom of God in Mexico.

Another highlight of these trips is telling stories repeatedly about what God is doing in Mexico.

This turns into a spiritual exercise of gratitude that is good for my soul and gives me motivation to continue.

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”
(Galatians 6:9)

We also hear these stories each month when each of our locations turns in a monthly report to the Board of Directors. In this newsletter I want to share the latest submissions from these reports of some of our leaders so you can hear their hearts and get a glimpse of God’s work.

Janelle Keller,
Executive Director





WE'RE GROWING IN BAJA

This year is off to a great and calm start. The newest and most exciting part of the ministry is watching the daycare in San Quintin grow and develop. We are almost at full capacity with 120 children in attendance every day. We've had to hire more staff and God has faithfully provided the right people to care for these children all day.

It's amazing to hear their little voices singing songs about Jesus and many of the mothers have said that even when they don't have to work, their children are begging them to go to the daycare anyway.

I am constantly reminded of the great staff that we have who are giving their lives to this place. I have realized that when you have the right people in the right places things really function well. My supervisors are extremely capable and are doing a great job of leading their individual areas. I am so thankful for these faithful servants.

Thank you for your support and prayers for the mission and this ministry. We couldn't do it without all of you. May God bless you as you go through this year. I believe that God has great things in store for all of us. Let's wait and see what He does!!

Jill Adams
Baja Mission Administrator

OUR NEXT DREAM for the Baja Mission is to build a recreational facility on the property between the children's home and the church, including a synthetic turf soccer field and track. This will be used to serve the Mission as well as the surrounding community. Our hope is that someday we can run kids' summer soccer camps as a form of outreach as well as focus on health and wellness. There is nothing else like this in the area. We currently have a dirt track and field that the community uses regularly, but it isn't ideal for exercising or playing soccer. And so we see this as a way to make disciples as we create ways to bring the community to us.



OAXACA: PROVISION AND FAVOR

With a rough start, and each new day seeming to bring more hard news, this month of the year felt so long. But there were also special times and ways we saw God working all things, even the challenging ones, for our good.

We have been dealing with many illnesses among the staff, as well as family of the staff (several family members requiring trips to the hospital and emergency surgeries). Staff have been visiting the doctor this month with fevers, pain, and infections. And I have been experiencing throat issues which appears to be problems with small holes in my tonsils that get easily infected; I may need to get my tonsils removed soon.

One of the biggest events for the mission this month was a visit from the wife of the governor of Oaxaca, Ivette Morán (pictured above wearing white with Laura wearing black), de Murat. She is the honorary president of social services (DIF) in Oaxaca and came accompanied by many members of DIF and the state government. We received a few days notice before her visit, so all the children were able to be here, and Edgar gave her a tour of the home. She seems to be a genuinely kind and caring person and we enjoyed her visit.

Miguel Angel is a psychologist who comes to meet with some of our children. His uncle is now the mayor of Tlacolula. Miguel was able to help us

present a request to the governor's wife for the paving of the road that runs from the highway to our front gate. The response has been swift, and plans are in motion to get that done as soon as possible – so that is exciting.

Another special highlight for me this month was being able to attend the Oaxaca Women's Retreat with two other ladies from our staff (Anita – kitchen supervisor and Abby – principal of Oasis). One of my main takeaways from that retreat was that just because something is hard doesn't mean that it is not for our benefit. I'm so thankful for the reminder that God still acts and moves even when it is hard for us to perceive it. That helped me a great deal during this challenging month and continues to be an encouragement. Thank you for your prayerful support.

Laura Rodriguez
Oaxaca Mission

BECAUSE OF THE INCREASING scope of the ministry in Oaxaca and because of new requirements by the Mexican government, we have to purchase a new electric transformer for the Mission. This new transformer will allow us to handle the electric needs of the Mission and dream about expansion in the future. We still need \$10,000 for the transformer.

TJ House: Thriving Community of Students

The TJ House is alive and active this spring! We see the hand of God working in each area of the TJ House: the hearts of our students, construction projects, and our graduated student community.

As our students navigate college life, we are so thankful to see them coming into their own, serving in their community and growing into incredible, followers of Christ. The Lord is refining the gifts and talents each of our students have as they persevere their academic careers and achieve their goals.

Two of our students recently raced in a 6K in San Quintin with a handful of other students from the children's home in Vicente Guerrero. Other students have been serving alongside Keith and Maya

Durkin in the Red-light District of Tijuana called Zona Norte.

While more students are serving with our local church, Iglesia Ancla. We are so encouraged to see the student's faith worked

in good deeds throughout our city.

Our TJ House seems to be under a constant state of construction. After our big remodel we have continually had maintenance projects going on to improve or beautify the grounds.



We are thankful to be in the midst of reroofing the entire house, and are grateful to those of you who continue to give, helping to keep us dry through the rainy season.

Finally, we are grateful for a growing TJ House community as students who have graduated in recent years continue to be a part of our lives. Recent graduates continue to visit us on a weekly basis, go to church with us and still come to the house for birthday parties and holidays. We are grateful to see the Lord continuing to work in their lives as they pursue their professional careers, marry, and have babies.

This work God is doing is an extension of faithful givers and sponsors.

Andrea Bolaños
TJ Houseparent

You can still sponsor a child once they are studying at the TJ House. Sponsorships start at \$30 a month and you can sign up on our website - www.ffhm.org or by calling Linda in our San Clemente office, 949.492.2200.

FOUNDER'S CORNER: ON A MISSION AT ANY AGE!



When Charla was a child, there was a plaque hanging on the kitchen wall in her home that stood as a silent reminder: *“One life will soon be passed. Only what’s done for Christ will last.”*

It was December 7, 1941. The radio was on in the family home when the broadcast was interrupted by President Roosevelt. He declared a national emergency as the Japanese had just bombed Pearl Harbor. Four days later, war had been declared on Japan and Germany

“Where’s Pearl Harbor?” Charla asked on that fateful day. No one answered as a hush filled the room. She broke the silence again, “We must win this war!” The family laughed. Charla was nine years old.

The determination of a child can be a powerful thing. Charla had heard that flattened tin cans were being used to build army tanks. Ammunition was needed and rendered fat was perfect for making bombs. Nothing was better than bacon grease.

With her red flyer wagon pulled behind her, Charla set off every Saturday morning on a mission to single-handedly win the War. She went from house to house collecting tin cans and bacon grease. And not just for one weekend – she dedicated herself to the cause for four years! She truly believed she was winning the war.

On March 17, 2019, a special group of home-schooled children from south Orange County came together on their own mission – to raise money for the children of FFHM. They created beautiful pieces of art for auction and played a benefit concert with all proceeds to serve the Baja Mission. Their giving spirits brightened our day and the lives of those less fortunate in Mexico.

“Even a child is known by his deeds, whether what he does is pure and right.” **Proverbs 20:11**

Charla Pereau
Founding Director



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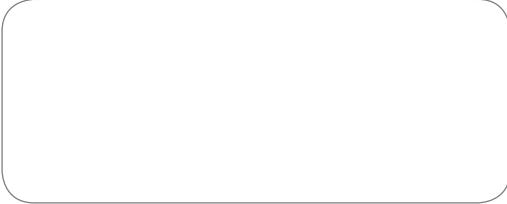
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Renee Williams,

15-year missionary to Japan

The marriage of Pastor Jack

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By Michiko Kus

Marty & Nancy Clark's

50th Wedding Anniversary

By Irene Dewar

Walter Riese: Highest score 12-member Euchre rotation tournament.

Tournament host makes a donation to winner's charity of choice.

By Carl Holter

The 45th Wedding Anniversary of

Jack & Kim Leighton

By the Leighton, Sheridan

& Bohn Families

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HELP US BUILD A RECREATIONAL FACILITY

We want to build at the Baja Mission between the children's home and the church, including a synthetic turf soccer field and track. See the artist rendering to the right and more information on page 2.

Visit our website to make a donation www.ffhm.org or mail a check in your pink envelope. **Thank you!**

