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And they were bringing children to Him so that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw this, He was indignant and said to them, "Permit the children to come to Me; do not hinder them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. "Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it at all." And He took them in His arms and began blessing them, laying His hands on them. Mark 10:13-16

Dear Friends and Brethern,

To <u>not</u> hinder children from "coming to Jesus" can involve many things, both spiritually and also physically as in the previous text. But we are seeking by God's grace, to open "ways" for the children to come to know the Lord Jesus by teaching them His Word. To accomplish this once again we had our **Vacation Bible School Workshop** for ministry workers and Bible teachers from many churches. Year after year we have "teamed up" with pastors **Mark Webb** and **Brian Daniels** and a group from Grace Bible Church, to design and prepare a complete training program that will be used by our own Bible Students during the next couple of months as they serve taking this VBS program up in the mountain missions, but it will also be used by up to 75 churches throughout southern Mexico. The program includes the course materials for the children, and also the theological foundation for the teachers. The daily crafts, games, and even refreshments are all designed to reinforce the central teachings of the week of VBS. Special music and songs composed by Mark Webb help to



review the overall theme and are translated into Spanish and learned during the week. One of the highlights of the Workshop are the "real life" enactments of the Bible Stories for each day presented by our "actors" our very own MITC ministry students. This year's theme was the reign of King David, as we advance through the Old Testament each year. Of course our object is



to show how all the Scriptures are pointing to, and preparing for, the Person and Work of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our prayer is that this program will be used mightily by the Lord and that many children will receive the Word of God and the Gospel in the months ahead.





We are thankful for the ministry of our **Christian Music School** students who had a mission trip to the Chinanteco village of **Arroyo Limon**. They held a two-day music workshop to help the brethren in that region with musical knowledge and skills useful for the ministry. Led by Erick Vazquez our Music School director and the 3rd year Music School students they were a big blessing to the brethren in that region. The students were also excited for the opportunity to teach others many of the things they learned in the Christian Music School program.

Also during the visit of pastors Mark and Brian, we visited the village of Teponapa, up in the Cuicateco mountains to attend and teach the annual leaders assembly of our village church union. We had representatives come from the Chinanteco, Mixe, and Cuicateco tribes to learn the Word of God taught by our visiting pastors. The 7 hour long trip through the mountains was worthwhile as we saw the attentiveness and desire to learn of these many leaders who also made the long trip to have this special time of learning and fellowship. I am also thankful for the help of **Brandon**, who since December has been serving with us "full-time", who aided me in the translation during the conferences and also with the long drive to the location.



The brethren from **Lakes Church** led by pastor **Mark Roath** visited the Nahualt region of Acultzinapa, and preached and encouraged the brethren up in the mountain villages. They also helped us with several projects here on campus, including some construction work on the new Physical Therapy clinic where Brandon will be helping people with their physical disabilities as part of the ministry here on campus. We were blessed to see worship pastor **Caleb Lain** once again here in Cordoba after several years battling serious health issues with his wife **Lacy**, but now ready and willing to serve the Lord on missions with us once again. Praise the Lord!





Summer Grove Baptist Church led by MITC board member **Mark Ambrose** once again came and shared God's love with us in a mighty way! We were greatly encouraged by their love, generosity and service here on the MITC campus and to all the mission family. Paul and Shannon Flowers, both had special ministry opportunities while here with this group. They had were able to share the Gospel at 2 schools with children and teens from elementary to High School. One of these was the school here in Cordoba that our staff children attend, and another was a high school up in the mountains where our year in practice student Ulises served this past year. These special doors for sharing the Gospel were opened by the Lord. Also Paul was able to have a live class with his students of our MITC Post-Grad program and help them finalize their studies





in New Testament Greek. The team helped paint the mission compound, did sewing projects, cooked a special meal for the whole mission family, and served in children ministries in the churches, mountain villages, and orphanages. We are also thankful for **Sissy Snider, Ben Scheen**, and all the brethren who came with this team and continued on with the legacy of service and love that our beloved brother Cecil Snider, now with the Lord, showed for many years. To God be the glory.

We were also blessed to have **Katherine Yu** from Richardson Tx., whose parents have come here to serve for a number of years with the teams from Woodcreek Church. Katherine stayed for several weeks serving as our "summer missions intern" and worked alongside the US

teams, helping them to get installed and also with their projects during the week.
She was a blessing to our Bible students sharing in

Bible students sharing in their tasks and also conversing with them in Spanish and English. We are thankful for Katherine and we look forward to how the Lord will use her in the future.

Sissy Snider and Ben Scheel

Thank you all for your loving and faithful prayers and support! God continues to bless and work among us here at MITC, we are amazed by His grace and love, and for the privilege of serving in His Kingdom. May the Lord continue to use each one of us for His honor and glory.

Katherin, Chuy and Gigi

Yours by His Grace,







## Memorials and Honorariums • May-June

## In Memory of: From: In Honor of: From:

Linda Pearson	Robert Pearson
Mrs. Albertine Scott	David & Ruthie Bryant
Barry Wolins	Mr. &. Mrs. K. W. Holder
Barry Wolins	Mr. & Mrs. Sean Cabot
PawPaw Bryant on his birthday	Jim & Susan McNeer

Mark WebbWilliam Keesler
David & Ruthie BryantMr. & Mrs. Gary Richardson
Bill &Wendy BrittMr. & Mrs. Gary Richardson
R. L. & Dot McCaryLynn M. Thomas
Reid Wilson, Congratulations!Jim & Susan McNeer
Brooks Powell, Congratulations!Jim & Susan McNeer
Happy Mother's DayJim & Susan McNeer
Jennifer Rockwell, Happy BirthdayJim & Susan McNeer
Mike & Jennifer Rockwell,
Happy AnniversaryJim & Susan McNeer



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