

News from LHM-MEXICO



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YOUTH MINISTRY



During the summer months, **LHM-Mexico** was busy sharing God's Word and love with children of all ages. LHM staff was asked by a local church in Ecatepec de Morelos to assist with their Vacation Bible School (VBS) program. Forty children enjoyed listening to Bible stories, singing Christian songs, and participating in various arts and crafts. As a result of the successful VBS activities, four new children joined the church's youth Bible classes, and two adults joined the church's Wednesday afternoon Bible study group.

The LHM team was also asked by another local church to develop a program to help increase the attendance for their children's group. LHM-Mexico created a curriculum that incorporated Bible classes, times for meditation and prayer, Christian songs, and games. On the day of the event, a total of 32 children participated in the festivities.

HOLISTIC OUTREACH

Each week, around 140 people are helped through LHM-Mexico's **BREAD** program in Matamoros. These individuals are provided with food and Christian reading materials to provide hope during times of suffering. LHM staff members surely cannot do this alone and are grateful for the 18 volunteers, as well as local pastor Omar Garza, who share their same passion for this ministry week after week to help feed the community both physically and spiritually.



The LHM team also collaborated with a local church in Ecatepec de Morelos to organize a medical camp where people received medical attention while hearing the Word of God. A variety of services were provided to members of the community including dental cleanings, general medical exams, and haircuts.



Ministry Impact



Omar from Bogotá, Colombia, was suicidal when he came across LHM's **Para el Camino** website and reached out to LHM staff overseeing the site. The LHM staff member in St. Louis contacted Pastor Fester from **LHM-Argentina**. He coordinates volunteers through **Vivenciar.net**, an LHM digital platform offering relevant topical content for Portuguese- and Spanish-speaking individuals. Fester contacted Julyssa, a counselor with LHM-Mexico. She called Omar for more information and crisis management. Fester then called Pastor Marín in Medellín, who connected with a colleague in Bogotá who—per Julyssa's recommendations—located Omar and got him help at a medical clinic. Once on the ground with Omar, this distraught man was encouraged to receive the care he needed. He is now regaining his physical and emotional health and has found employment. He passed this note on to those who helped him: "Thanks to God and to you. This is what I can now do with great love."

Because of You ...

- LHM-Mexico partnered with several local churches in Mexico City to hold an outreach event in a local park. LHM resources and other Christian materials were distributed to the community.



- The LHM team continues to create Facebook Live sessions through LHM's digital platform for Latin America, **Vivenciar.net**.



- LHM staff held an **Equipping the Saints** workshop at a local church in Mexico City. The theme was "Inspiring the Youth," which discussed how older adults can help younger people share the Gospel through their own life experiences.

Changing Lives Around the World with the Gospel

In addition to ministry in Mexico, Lutheran Hour Ministries develops culturally relevant programs and resources to reach people in more than 60 nations who may not be familiar with the Gospel. Below are just a few examples to show how God has been using LHM recently to change lives around the world with His Good News.



GOSPEL ADVENTURES™: WILD ABOUT KENYA

Gospel Adventures is heading to Kenya in 2025! *Gospel Adventures: Wild About Kenya* is a free online resource available to Christian schools, homeschools, churches, and individuals. The curriculum is filled with fun activities and an interactive website for students to learn about Christian children in another country. Look into the day-to-day lives of people like you in Kenya through music, videos, and fun characters with *Gospel Adventures*. Not only do participants get to see how people live and work in other countries, but they also get to see God's work in action with examples of how they can share the Gospel with people in these areas through prayer and designated chapel offerings. There is still time to register and complete this year's adventure, *Wild About Kenya*. Visit gospeladventures.org to sign up now!



CHRISTMAS RADIO SPECIAL

"Assignment: Christmas" is this year's special Christmas presentation from **The Lutheran Hour®**. When journalist Edie Saver is tasked with writing an article about Christmas, she hesitantly accepts. But her understanding of the holiday is unexpectedly changed when she investigates its traditions through the lens of Charles Dickens' classic story, *A Christmas Carol*. Not only does Edie learn how Christmas is about more than nostalgia, she begins to undergo a Scrooge-like transformation of her own. The special will be available in December; visit lutheranhour.org/assignment to learn more.



PROJECT CONNECT

LHM provides **Project Connect** bundles. These are four-booklet sets that are themed on a certain topic or written for a certain kind of audience. One recent collection is LHM's "Real Topics, Real People Bundle." It features four Journey booklets: *Journey Through the Rat Race*, *Journey Through Anxiety*, *Journey Through Addiction*, and *Journey Through Depression*. Bundles are ideal for placement in a business, high-traffic area, or a church narthex—any place where people could use the valuable information they provide. Visit shoplhm.org/bundles to learn more.



Ministry Impact Elsewhere

Carmen is a retired teacher and a faithful subscriber to LHM-Chile's text message program. Her health started to decline so she reached out to the LHM-Chile staff asking for prayers. She suffers from depression and the LHM booklets provided comfort and helped her overcome her trials. LHM-Chile staff connected her to a local pastor who visited Carmen and prayed

with her. Her health is now improving, and her attitude has gotten more positive. She is thankful for the daily Bible verses that give her hope and encouragement.

Pray

Please pray for the ministry center director, staff, and volunteers as they proclaim the Gospel to the communities of Mexico; please pray for those children who may be hearing about Jesus for the first time at a youth event; prayer of thanksgiving for the ongoing success of holistic outreach that is occurring in this country.