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Ears & eyes are gifts from the Lord (Prov. 20:12)

Chasing little children may not be too hard after all. But youth ministry is like catching rainbow, especially those teens who have never had basic church education before. ... It has been our motivation to hit the roads from Salamanca to Acapulco and to Chiapas this summer. Summer began in an old hotel in Salamanca, Guanajuato, where held the 2nd Seminar "The Image of God." It followed by an open seminar on Bible Reading in 90 Days (Rev. Hae Joo of ANC), Emmanuel's 1st youth retreat in Acapulco, VBS in Chiapas along with ANC Chiapas Vision 800 team, and a workgroup from Lighthouse Education Center (Lena Han) in Los Angeles. Each of them was unique to meet our church needs. In between, Abe visited Paraguay to say goodbye to his grandma (95) for the last time. She returned to eternal home. She was good mom and leader in Abe's both formation in person and faith.

2010 Youth Retreat [30 July – 1 August]



The Emmanuel Presbytery's informal youth groups had its first, after many years of inactiveness, spiritual retreat in near Acapulco. The waves were just fitting for surfing but too dangerous for imprudent youth. We, instead, had a series of basic Christian-teaching and a purity ceremony (abstinence), which was a powerful moment for most of

them. They renewed their vow to rebuild their relationship with the Father and to become His messengers. ... Among 70 young adults, SAUL from Bronx, NY, caught our special attention as he recognized the past of his own fault and repented his gangster activities during his junior & high school years. He wants to take new steps once he goes back home. He asked divine assistance to dedicate his life doing things that please God. He deposited an offering of U\$10 for future youth ministry. As they returned home, some churches fired up to reinstate youth ministry. Thanks God for His kindness.

Chiapas Church Visits [4-7 August]

A day after the retreat, we drove 12 hrs down to Chiapas to assist a VISION 800 mission team from ANC. The visits were paid to Horeb Church (Pastor EUSEBIO) and Arimatea (Pastor SAMUEL). In the morning we visited the sick to pray and share the Word of God. Many of them suffered diabetes, especially due to the lack of information on its proper medication, diet, and personalized treatment. Far beyond, the health condition of pastor SAMUEL was serious. He has fainted a number of occasions, and has lost weight significantly since a year ago. He had led Mariach MANANTIAL. But he can't travel anymore since hardly sing due to lack of energy. As result, he lost the passion for ministry. With the team, we all prayed for him to recover health and ministry passion.

However, children were making the town a different place with unceasing laughter. It was like a heavenly feast surrounded by them. VBS was offered and churches were packed for night services.



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Seminario la imagen de Dios

Holy Communion is always tingling challenge to renew our walk in the Lord. God's love poured on the cross is undoubtedly priceless. So it is the core element of the SEMINAR "THE IMAGE OF GOD" that welcomed 53 souls. Throughout the seminar, we felt the very breath & voice of the Lord interacting in each participant. Although many times we don't get the very thing of God, we come to confirm once again God's unceasing grace. It was surely sufficient for us. Praise the Lord and pray for growing peace in their lives.

Salamanca Ministry [6-10 July]

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The Seminar was beyond a Christian service to local churches. It was also for greater cause: equip & strengthen ourselves a ministry team. From Cuernavaca 10+ members of our churches volunteered to serve this ministry. We vision beyond this event. Prayed that they will have vision to take in their heart. In serving, they got on fire helping others experience the same loving God. It was an opportunity for them to serve Salamanca churches, along with a VISION 800 TEAM from ANC (Rev. Jin Yoo). Wow, it was another side of coin to experience the pouring love of God. They loved the idea and served wholeheartedly at point that the event site manager asked about the ministry. Explanation was given upon which he expressed his willing to assist a local church. God doesn't waste anything, even our mini gestures. Thank God for receiving our little contribution back to you.

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MARGARITA (54) had walked through stuffy and rainy days. Her husband has been so abusive that she had no luck for the seminar. She had planned, as confessed later, to suicide wishing to free from all the

ups-&-downs of life. But by God's grace she made her way to the seminar. She intensely participated every group discussions in ways to let all of her bitterness out. Her daughter YOLANDA was there too soliciting divine help over cancer. At the end, "I think it got lightened all my life burdens," she said instead. Pray that God will continue to provide their needs.



Thanks! from NANANA.

What a privilege to be a part of God's great harvest team. Thanks God that we are able to witness more often the growth of Christians in Mexico. We see more often car stickers with fish or dove that people proudly show their spiritual identity to the public in general.

Since the beginning of this year we have been closely working at BETHESDA CHURCH helping them develop church education programs. The church now worships among 40+ people, which almost doubled since then. Pastor FRANCISCO MELENDEZ(67) and seminary student ISRAEL(34) are teamed up and working hard to make this happen. For this to be done, we would need more of your kind and generous involvement. They often express their gratitude to us for making this progress, but this thanks really is yours. God bless you, our dear brother and sister!

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