

THE CARSON COLLECTIVE

A Panama Misson's Update



Airee, Samuel, and his family!



A Year of Impact

I wanted to give you an update on what God did through your partnership this year in Panama. Last summer, we introduced you to Airee—a student who came to Christ through our local ministry and joined our 2024 mission trip to Panama against all odds. She grew up in poverty and homelessness, yet boldly shared her faith in Panama and came home determined to make Christ known on her own campus. What God has been doing in and through her captures the heart of our mission both here in Long Beach and abroad. At the end of that trip, Airee wrestled with a hard question: “How do we know if they actually get it?” This year, God answered.

During our water filter outreach in Veracruz, Airee’s group prayed for direction and arrived at a home where they met a young man named Samuel. The moment he saw Airee, he lit up and said,

“Do you remember me? You came to my class last year and helped me know Jesus. I go to church now, and they’ve taught me so much!” As the team installed the water filter, **Samuel’s uncle and cousin also prayed to receive Christ!** God turned a moment of doubt from last year into a moment of joy this year, showing Airee, and all of us, that He is the one who gives growth to the Gospel. God is faithful!

Here’s a glimpse of what God did through your generosity and prayers. Eight students received passports and joined 11 others from Los Angeles for the trip. Together with eight Panamanian students and more than ten local leaders, we shared the Gospel across schools and communities. We trained a local church to reach public schools, which led to a new after school Bible study that continues to grow. At Octavio Mendez, 40 students now meet weekly, 60 more have been invited, and the principal even asked our team to share the Gospel at a rally for the most at risk students. **Our team also installed 19 water filters in underserved homes and shared the Gospel with 650 students, with more than 70 responding to Christ!** Finally, three of our former students, Mickey, Jonathan, and Yarity, returned as young leaders to lead the trip. They are now stepping into staff roles and preparing to lead others in the coming year. Your support is launching leaders, transforming lives, and building lasting Gospel movements that are changing families, strengthening churches, and impacting entire communities in both Los Angeles and Panama.



Most of our CA and PA team



Evangelism at a local school



God provided a miracle and fast-tracked Brandt’s passport in 18 hours!

Prayer Update

- Brandt’s Car is reaching end of life. We are now looking for a car that provides more than 14 mpg! If you would like to help us meet the financial cost of this, please contact us. Thank you!
- Pray for the team in Panama that continues to minister to their community and students long after we are gone!



The kids LOVED getting to try new fruits and other foods!



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