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For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. -Habakkuk 2:14

SUMMER PROJECT TO PUEBLA

May 21 - 31 a group of 12 (2 staff men, 10 student women) came to Puebla to invest in the ministry trusting God to move here as well in their own lives.

A few stories from the project:

On Campus Security- Last week two security guards asked us to leave because we did not have approval to be on campus interacting with students. This was a campus we had been on previously and had permission to be at before. However, due to a new leadership we needed to re-ask for permission. We spent a couple hours in the administration building trying to get this figured out. We used the time to talk to these two security guards. We learned that one of the guards was a believer and wanted to learn how he could encourage students to attend our events. He'd been trying to reach students by inviting them to his house for a Bible study. He was so excited to learn of a group of college students passionate about reaching other students.

Pizza Party- All week we invited students to a Pizza Party. This worked really well. Girls + Pizza = They will come. The event was designed to be a venue for anyone to come and learn about Vida Estudiantil, meet other students, hear the gospel, and enjoy a night of free pizza and soda. Over 100 people attended. The gospel was presented to over 30 people in small group settings. 40 pizzas, and 24 liters of Coke later, 6 people trusted Christ. It was pretty awesome to see the Lord work through something as simple as free pizza.

THOUGHTS OF CONVICTION:

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

-Jesus

Progress of the best kind is comparatively slow.

-Samuel Smiles

Certain things if not seen as lovely or detestable are not correctly being seen at all.

-C.S. Lewis

Jesus' demand to the world is that all human beings find in him the all-satisfying glory for which we were made.

-John Piper

It doesn't happen all at once...you become. It takes a long time.

*Margery Williams,
The Velveteen Rabbit*

*When I shall reach that happy place, and be forever blest,
For I shall see my Father's face,
And in his bosom rest.*

-Samuel Stennett



Above: (L) 40 pizzas for the pizza party. (R) Talking to a Law student, Nahum, about the reality of gospel in my own life.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

This summer is pretty crazy in terms of traveling for me. Mexico to Korea to USA. June 20th marks the end of my year commitment in Mexico. Before I return to the states, I will be helping with a conference in South Korea. cm2007.net After Korea I'll be home in KS for a week and then off to CO for 2 weeks at Crusade's National Staff Conference in Ft. Collins. Below is the short version. (Mom this is for you.)

June 19th: Last Day in Mexico

June 20- July 6: CM2007 Busan, South Korea

July 7: Fly to Kansas

July 7- 14: HOME in KS

July 15-27: Colorado Nat'l Staff Conference

August: Move to Manhattan

WHERE WILL I BE IN THE

FALL? In August, I'm planning on returning to Kansas State to continue working with the campus ministry in Manhattan. I look forward to that day with much anticipation.

ISAAC VALDERRABANO ALVAREZ

Isaac (E-sock) has been a dear friend to me in this past year. It's been amazing to see the growth that has taken place in his life over this short time. My first memories of him are of being very timid and quiet. Over 11 months he's grown into a passionate servant of Christ. He's an emcee and boldly shared the gospel in front of 100 people or more. His faith has brought him to new places this year. It's been an encouragement to me in my time here. I can't help but recognize the fruit in his life and see the Lord's design in



growing people.

Walking beside him with the Lord has been a refreshing and joyful experience. Isaac is 27 years old and is planning on doing an internship with Crusade this next year. He is an answer to prayer and a rising laborer for the gospel. His heart is beating for that which resembles the Kingdom of God. And it will only get stronger as he learns of the goodness of God's mercy in his own life. Apart from all that, he consistently drives me to his favorite places and we eat the best tacos Mexico has to offer. It is a wonderful friendship! **Thanks for praying for and investing in my life. Isaac is the fruit we desire to see.**

PRAYER

No great spiritual awakening has begun anywhere in the world apart from united prayer.

- Pray for **Isaac's transition into ministry, support and heart** to continue to grow.
- Pray for the Scheeles as I leave early. Their final months here in Mexico and the Lord's grace to sustain the logistics in transition.
- Pray for the leaders of our movement- their walk with God, and that they would **take steps of faith** following where He calls.
- Pray **for fruit** as we follow-up over 200 contacts from the Spring break group.
- Pray for God's provision and

safety in my own life as I enter into a season of travel.

-Continued **growth and sanctification** in my life, by a **love for the Word**, and **deeper faith** in His character and **promises**.

-For college students of this country **to rise up and become leaders** to transform this country from the inside out with the power of the gospel.

-Pray for these students I shared the gospel with this past month.

Nahum, Noel, Eric, Jorge, Daniel. That God would open the eyes of their heart.

-Pray that the goodness of the glory of God would manifest itself in the **small events and decisions** in our lives as followers of Christ.

