



Yucatan Outreach Ministries-News

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Welcome to our new newsletter format and way to share the News and highlights of Yucatan Outreach Ministries!

Debbie and I hope and pray you're doing well. Our summer has been busy and a little warm, yet we have not registered one hundred degrees on the thermometer! That's amazing as typically we see quite a few of those here in central Texas beginning early

July. Our former home, Anchorage, AK, has had all time historical high temperatures (in the 90s), although they have cooled considerably. I have spoken with several friends up there and they were quite ready for the much-needed return to more normal temps. Air-conditioned houses are very rare in Anchorage.

We returned a couple of weeks ago from an incredible mission trip to Mexico. We worshipped and preached with Lighthouse Church, Tulum on Sunday. Our primary location and the mission work was in the new-to-us Mayan Village of Hondzonot.



Pat and Teresa Harrison, from Anchorage, were part of the team, along with Jeffrey Shonkwiler, from Gatesville, as well as Debbie and I. We came alongside Pastor Scott Gahn, Lighthouse Church, Tulum, and Pastor Angel, a Hispanic pastor in Tulum. We had additional partners from those two churches as well. Everyone was enthusiastic, tireless, and sought to connect with the villagers of Hondzonot. Our dear friends and missionaries, Izhar Omar Hernandez and Debra Morris, from the village of Ek Balam, they were of amazing assistance as well. (We loved the team. Thank You Jesus.)





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This beautiful village, filled with precious people, had not heard the name of Jesus Christ until less than two years ago!

During the mission week we helped present the first ever Vacation Bible School. It was in Spanish, of course. It was called Hallelujah Fest. Incredible! We had worked for weeks to learn the songs and choreography. I'll spare you a description of that 😊. But VBS was amazing, just flat out fantastic. Pastor Scott hired a Christian clown from Cancun. He called himself Cepacito (that's probably misspelled) He looked and talked as normal as could be. But when the clown costume and face paint went on, he was transformed.



Imagine a crazy person on steroids that possess a falsetto voice! That was Cepacito! Kids loved him (so did the adults – locals and us). He gave an anointed presentation of the Gospel on the last evening. Nineteen children eagerly prayed to receive Jesus as Savior. What an amazing blessing. Totally worth the preparation and the cost involved.



The VBS was from roughly 5pm until 7:30ish each evening. We fed them dinner afterwards each evening. Our friends and fellow Christians from Lighthouse Church, Tulum, Cowboy and Debra Robinson, brought their famous pulled pork on the last evening. (He said he brought about 48 kilos!) We estimated that half the village had their fill. Having a full stomach there doesn't happen every day. (We got in a game of baseball after the last evening!)



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From previous updates, you may recall Lighthouse Church, Tulum, has in the last several months erected a sturdy metal frame with a domed top, which is covered with a high-quality vinyl. This is in Hondzonot. It's very nice.

While we were there one might say we electrified it! The guys on the team installed sixteen light fixtures and six fans. We ran the flex conduit, wire, including from the power pole, hooked it up and..... they all worked 😊. No one claimed to be an electrician, and I think it was evident a couple of times! We prayed a lot and had a great time working and laughing. [Check out this short highlight video!](#)



Okay I'm going to butcher the spelling now: Vernancio and Gloria have two children; Maggie and Josue. Vernancio was one of the first, if not the first adult to receive Christ in Hondzonot. Over the course of the last several months they made it known that the new church could build the dome/worship area on their property! They wanted it there so badly. They want to be part of evangelizing and teaching their



Vernancio

village about Jesus. Vernancio did a lot of the labor on the concrete slab. Among other things, he is an artist. The entire family is beyond sweet. Gloria made lunch a couple of times for the guys that were working (our team). We thanked God for it, and then we really trusted him to bless it to our body (stomach particularly). All was and is well 😊. Vernancio hung out with us a good bit.



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A bit more about Maggie and Josue. They love, love, loved Cheetos and cookies we happened to have! Hopefully that's the only bad habit we demonstrated. Please continue to pray for the ministry of Yucatan Outreach. Lighthouse Church, Tulum, has become a wonderful base in Mexico to help encourage and strengthen the ministries in the Mayan Villages of Ek Balam and Hondzonot. Hats-off to Pastor Scott and Annette Gahn

as they are faithful in so many ways in this labor of love. Yucatan Outreach is the primary financial support for Lighthouse Church, Tulum; as well as for these missions, Lighthouse Church, Hondzonot, and House of Light, Ek Balam. New Pastors Jorge and Lidia in Hondzonot, and Missionaries Izhar Omar and



Debra, in Ek Balam, covet your prayers. What an honor to work alongside these sacrificial people. The villages are primitive. The needs are astounding. The love of the villagers will melt your heart. It does ours.

If you would like to be part of a mission team, please email me:

Terry@YucatanOutreachMinistries.org. If you would like to come alongside Yucatan Outreach, the need is great. Even now we need resources to support the new pastors in Hondzonot. Additionally, we are going to help with the purchase of a vehicle for them to use. It's about 2 hours from Tulum to Hondzonot. They're going round trip, two days a week and want to expand that to three days a week. Our friend Pastor Angel has been loaning them a vehicle. Yucatan Outreach provides the salaries and expenses for these wonderful pastors. Your donation would be a kingdom investment. Yucatan Outreach Ministries is a registered 501 c 3. Your contributions are tax deductible. The benefits to others, priceless and eternal.



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Debbie Hill and our amazing friend, Teresa Harrison, are collaborating on revival to the Yucatan Outreach Website. The new website address is <http://www.yucatanoutreach.org>. We are live now so feel free to check it out! We are so thankful to have all of these updated ways to communicate the YOM mission and vision. We are also hoping to make it easier for our amazing supporters. So far, most of you have been sending contributions to Yucatan Outreach Ministries, 1120 Huffman Road, Ste. 24, PMB 581, Anchorage, AK 99515 (You still may). Now we have an online donation and [you may also donate directly here](#). Prayerfully it works (feel free to try it ☺). The plan is that donors who use the DONATE button may use their debit or credit card. If you try it without success, please [email me](#) We're in the testing phase on our new secure DONATE button. Can you tell?

Check out the website YucatanOutreach.Org, our new [Facebook page](#) and yes, we even have [Instagram](#) now. Let us know what you think about our becoming part of the digital world and of course, like the page too!

Finally, to the faithful financial and prayer supporters of Yucatan Outreach, you are such an encouragement. Thank you for being faithful. I know of at least 19 kids from Hondzonot, MX, and many others in Mexico that have trusted Christ as Savior. They have heard, at least in part, because you gave. We are especially thankful for the faithful support of our home church, Coryell Community Church.

You are all appreciated. We thank God for you. We love you,

Terry and Debbie Hill



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