

SNAP-SHOTS

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CAMP TIME!

For almost any kid, summer camps are a fun and exciting experience, but for kids who rarely venture out of the dusty barrios they live in, this is especially so! Last weekend V&O partnered with Operation Worth Ministries to help make this a possibility for a group of kids. Despite the 95°plus temperatures, they had an awesome time at Rancho de las Creaturas Camp in Tecate. Activities, games, competitions, swimming and plenty of food, brought, joy, laughter, excitement and teachable moments.

A brief summary of the camp, by OW Camp Director, Daniel Ratz...

Kids Camp 2024 has come and gone. Being able to bless these kids this past weekend was so amazing. Speaking 1 Corinthians 12 into their lives really made change. They are important and worth it just the way God made them!! And they all are part of the pieces that make the family of Christ!! We are all in this together, and we help each other in their weakness with our strength. We don't need to compare ourselves to each other. We are all special, unique, and important just the way we are!!

Thank you so incredibly much to all of you who donated towards camp. We may not have reached our goal, but we had enough for each kid and staff that went in the end, and that's what matters. May God bless you all over abundantly!! Be on the lookout for next year's camp!! We're already planning it and are going to need tons of help!!

Plan a trip down with us to be a part of this amazing project that God is doing!!



Excited kids arriving at camp.



Creating a team flag.



Bible verse competition.



A winning team!



Teamwork!



*Victory!
(Running the gauntlet).*

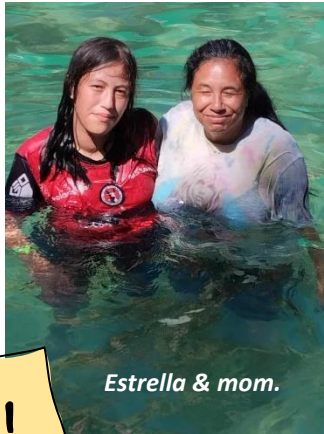


Singing & worship.

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Eph.2:10

MORE SUMMER FUN...

In addition to and following on from last month, we continued this month taking small groups of well deserving kids and teens on day trips to Rancho San Patricio park and pools, (east of Rosarito). *A BIG THANKS* to Cesar, (V&O Board Director), who took some of his vacation time to facilitate these trips. Having grown up in the same neighborhoods as these kids and remembering special trips with Pastor Von "back in the day", Cesar knows just how much these outings mean to those who have few opportunities to go on them. *GRACIAS* also to Paty and a couple of moms who went along also to help, and enjoyed the break just as much, (if not more!) than the kids!



Estrella & mom.

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Arm wrestling with Cesar.



Devotional time.



Starting the barbeque.



THANK YOU!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES!

Last week we made our first delivery of school supplies, backpacks, socks, shoes and shirts to the kids in Lagunitas. (Check out more pics on FB).

More to come next month!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THIS!!



Today everything about camps/outings, is expensive, even in Mexico. Planning, acquiring staff, drivers, transportation, food, facilities and a day at a local swimming pool. Yet they're worth every dollar! Camps provide a specially created spiritual environment in which God can work, benefitting kid's lives for eternity. We're most grateful that we've had the funds to go ahead with them. For that we thank YOU and appreciate so much your prayers for us, the kids and the work here across the border!

May God continue to bless each of you.
 Joyce, Philip & the V&O Team!