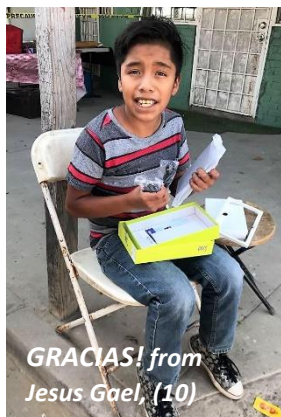


SNAP-SHOTS

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Where to start! So many stories this month...unfortunately it's not possible to share them all, so the following are just a few we trust you'll be encouraged by.

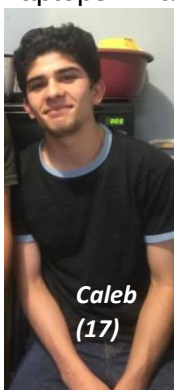
Firstly, good news continuing from last month, we've been able to help equip a bunch more kids for online school. The electronic tablets/notebooks they need, are still proving difficult to get in TJ but we have had some success and will continue to keep at it, as we believe it's well worth the effort, especially for kids who've shown they're serious about continuing to learn at home. For some of the older ones, we're also continuing to scout for re-furbished laptops. Thank you for your help in enabling us to help these kids!



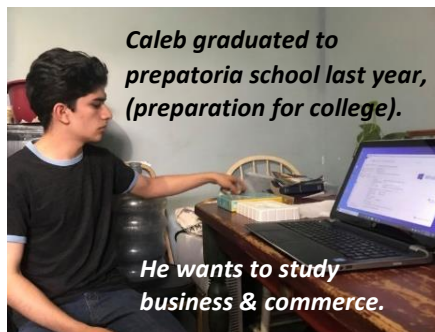
GRACIAS! from Jesus Gael, (10)



Twins, Janet & Jasmin (11) share their tablet.



Caleb (17)



Caleb graduated to preparatoria school last year, (preparation for college).

He wants to study business & commerce.



Camila (9), on receiving her tablet... "I can't believe it!"



Daniela (15) So happy with her laptop!

JULIO

Back in May we began ministering to Julio who had contracted COVID. At the time he was alone, scared, weak and struggling to breathe. We began bringing him food, talking, and praying with him each week. We also gave him a Bible and a bible devotional book, both of which he started to read daily.

During the weeks that followed, Julio came to know, and surrender his life to Christ. He also slowly recovered from COVID and was finally cleared to go back to work at his job in a factory. Praise God!

After sharing his experience with one of his co-workers, she asked him if he would loan her his devotional book. Although a little hesitant at first, he gave it to her.

Apparently at this point she still has it and doesn't seem to want to give it back! That could be a good thing or maybe *not so good* thing! We're praying for the

former!

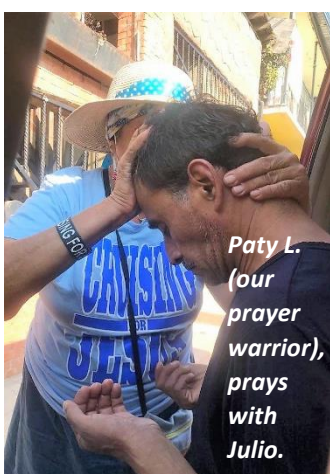
In any case, we're thankful for the way God has worked in Julio's life and that He put him in our path. We know God has a plan and purpose for him. Please keep him in your prayers!

(And yes, we have given him another devotional book).

Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2



Hortencia reads to Julio from the Bible.



Paty L. (our prayer warrior), prays with Julio.



Gracias!

Daniela with her proud, hardworking Dad, Arturo.

You may remember Daniela from our story in Jan. (She is a cadet in the TJ Youth Police Academy). Sadly, Rosa (her Mom), died suddenly, soon after our Jan story, (due to her ongoing health issues). On top of that, COVID hit and the Youth Police Academy Program has been on hold since, so Daniela has been dealing with some major blows this year. It was a blessing to be able to help her with a laptop recently so she can continue with her schoolwork, which she is grateful for and doing well in.



Jose Juan with Geovanny, studying his jar of peanut butter.



JOSE JUAN

For the last few weeks, Jose Juan has been selling mangos, (on his own), from a street corner near a convenience store close to our bodega. Hortencia and Geovanny, having become customers, were curious about where he had come from. It turns out he came from Veracruz, (where it's mango season), with his boss and a team of about 30 others, (mainly adults), to sell mangos in Tijuana. He works from 7 to 7 each day and sends his pay (\$10 a day), to his Mom at the



end of the week, (no Dad on the scene).

To our amazement, he also told Hortencia and Geovanny that he is only 11 years old!

They're now stopping by to check on him regularly and Jose Juan has been opening up to them about some of the struggles he has going on in his very young, yet adult-like life.

Last week Hortencia and Geovanny gave him an encouraging book to read, a jar of peanut butter, (which he had never tasted before!) and some jelly.

Please keep Jose Juan in your prayers, for his safety and that one day soon, he would come to a saving knowledge of the great love that God has for him.

LUPE & VLADIMIR

Some of you may remember Lupe from a SS story back in Jan 2019... Lupe grew up in orphanages, the last one being one that Pastor Von visited regularly for a number of years. Lupe's life was tough in the orphanage and turbulent once he left. He lived on the streets as a teenager and went in and out of drugs as an adult. Through it all though, Lupe kept in touch and at times assisted Pastor Von who always saw potential in him.

After coming out of rehab in 2018 he volunteered at a large old folk's home for a year. His focus was and remains today, to keep his life centered on Christ and stay clean of drugs.

Last year, Lupe was offered a job at a supermarket, assisting customers, and providing security in the parking lot. It was an answer to prayer. Lupe now earns an honest wage and is blessed with tips from appreciative customers. At least twice a month Hortencia and her small team, (smaller since COVID), catch up with Lupe to deliver his SS newsletter as well as receive his monthly financial gift to V&O. (Lupe

started giving in thankfulness to God and the ministry when he began his new job). With his outgoing personality and willingness to work hard, Lupe has become a familiar friendly face to customers, and also a valued employee. He recently received a promotion. Although our visits to Lupe began as an encouragement to him in his new job, they have also become a great encouragement to us as we see him go about his work helping people. A few weeks ago, Lupe introduced us to his co-worker and friend Vladimir, who he led to Christ earlier this year. Vladimir came to MX as a refugee from Haiti after the devastating earthquake.

It's a blessing to have Lupe partnering with us at V&O, as well as now also being a part of **his** ministry, at his job in the Soriana Supermarket parking lot! Yes, potential indeed!

"So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten..." Joel 2:25
Thank you for investing with us as we work together to make a difference in lives for eternity! On behalf of us all at V&O, Joyce, Philip and Hortencia.



Lupe & Vladimir enjoy a cold drink and chat with us in the parking lot.



Lupe outside the supermarket with his newsletter...

The dog, (a stray), follows him around the parking lot each day.