

Word Became Flesh Global

REACHING & EMPOWERING THE DEAF IN
MEXICO AND BEYOND

September-November 2020

Dear friends,

As Mexico enters its second wave of infection rates, we are continuing to hold fast to Jesus, striving to manifest His love and to work alongside with our partners and the Deaf community of Ensenada. We are grateful for partners like you, who like Aaron and Hur held up Moses' arms during battle until they became victorious in the Lord (Ex. 17:12), you hold us up with your constant prayers and giving. This has allowed us to march on forward and to serve the Deaf in every area that God has us! Here are our latest updates:



Frances & Lucas



Alejandro & Leonardo

As the pandemic worsens here, pray for the Deaf men living at **CASA JOSUÉ** who still have to work to maintain themselves. We are happy to report that **Leonardo** has not only enrolled into the **GED program**, which we are funding thanks to our givers, but he now has a **stable job** with good benefits. Also, we recently had another Deaf man move into the men's home named **Alejandro, who is also**

doing the GED program with Leonardo. Alejandro supports himself doing food delivery (Uber Eats) on his motorbike that he brought here from Sinaloa.

NATIONAL DAY OF THE DEAF IN MEXICO

The 28th of November is National Day of the Deaf, which is a day used to bring awareness about the Deaf, their rights, and their struggles in the country. The first National School for the Deaf was inaugurated on this date back in 1867 by President Benito Juarez, who recognized the need of educating the Deaf. Sadly, the school no longer exists, and since then there is not a single public school that is entirely for the Deaf.



Edgardo & Joshua

Finally, we have begun the slow process of working on the Deaf men's home most pressing needs and projects. **Joshua Everett has been a BIG blessing** in working with us as someone who is very capable in the construction field. **He helped us install a new boiler, and remodeled a space into a usable pantry/storage, and now will be working on repairing the wooden stairs going up to the second floor,** which are on the brink of collapse because it has rotted so much. If you are a church or an individual with construction experience, and

are looking for a place to serve, **we ask that you prayerfully consider funding/working on our most urgent construction projects down here at Casa Josué.**

Meanwhile at **CASA MARAVILLAS**, Karen's college classes have been postponed until next semester due to the ongoing pandemic. Since then, she has been taking a more active role as a teacher for 1st and 2nd grade classes for the Deaf with the local Deaf association. Now that Karen is working as a teacher, **Frances has started to teach Karen how to budget** her income so she can start to pay her share of the house bills. **This is keeping in step with the goal of raising**

independent, spirit-led, mature Deaf women so when they move out, they can easily navigate the real world. In other news, Celeste's mother has taken the decision of fleeing her abusive partner and is on her way to Ensenada with her four kids as we type this newsletter. **This is a huge answer to our prayers!** Our challenge now is to find a suitable and safe home for them, and to financially support them until the mother can get back on her feet. If you feel led to help out in anyway, please email us to find out their specific needs, and how to show them Jesus' love in ways they have never known.



Deaf people applying for jobs in Ensenada

Along with many other people, the Deaf community is experiencing unemployment at a very high rate due to the economic crisis caused by the pandemic. As the city begins to adapt to this new normal, jobs are beginning to open back up again. **Lucas has had the privilege of being on call for our sign language interpreting services that has allowed many Deaf individuals gain access to the interview process, which in turn has allowed multiple Deaf people to be hired these past two months.**

One of our core values as WFBG is Fighting for Equal Access, which can look like participating in a church conference to understanding a first aid course. However, 90% of the time the interpreter will not be paid or they are paid very little. **Many times the Deaf themselves will have to pay for an interpreter to be able to file a complaint with the police, understand a doctor, or even have access to the gospel.** This can be financially straining on a community that already struggles with job discrimination and low-wage jobs. As WFBG, our goal is to raise funds specifically to pay a full time interpreter to be able to travel and interpret for the Deaf when needed.



Your giving and praying is making an impact on the Deaf community of Ensenada. Sometimes we see immediate results of His kingdom moving, and other times we are just sowing seeds and waiting in faith. And in the waiting, **we will continue to bless the Deaf community in every way possible so that our love is manifested in tangible ways.** Thank you for being a part of this ministry by holding our arms up as we run the race of faith. I pray this season that you **encounter the Father's love through gratitude**, and that your perspective shifts so that in any situation you may find yourself, you are manifesting His presence to others who are hungry for a touch of God.

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If you have any questions about WFBG and its ministries, please feel free to email Lucas Everett at lneverett88@gmail.com or the official email for WFBG.: wordbecamefleshglobal@gmail.com

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