



MGM International

Multiplying Leaders for the Great Hispanic Harvest



News from Ivan and Lizzy Villalobos

Dear Praying Friends,

February started off with Friendship Days at the IPES Bible College. During those three days, we were blessed to have welcomed about 30 young people from different parts of Mexico, who are considering attending a Bible college in the near future, and some of them are interested in coming to Hermosillo.

Something exciting that happened this month was the purchase of plane tickets for our mission team headed to Costa Rica this summer! Since last year, Ivan has had the privilege of being able to lead and plan a mission trip made up of IPES students. Just last week we had a hamburger sale to raise funds for the trip, and for the remainder of the semester we will continue to do more fundraising activities. Our desire is to be able to see IPES students encourage young people in Costa Rica to come to Hermosillo to get prepared in theology, and maybe see a few of the students consider Costa Rica as a mission field. We also pray that the Lord would use this experience to help our young people get a wider perspective of what the Lord is doing in different cultures, and that it would benefit them in their future ministries, for the glory of God. **We appreciate your prayers for them and for us as we prepare for this trip—that the Lord would use this trip for His glory in each of our lives.**

We met with the young adults' group twice this month and praise the Lord for a good time of fellowship. We are so thankful for what He has been doing with the young man we asked for prayer for in previous letters. This young man just finished the Church Membership class and is now taking a class at the Bible college. He continues to help us at Round Rock Community Bible Club on Saturdays, and we are so thankful for your prayers, and for what God is doing in his life.

We are also thankful for a young lady who recently got saved, and whom Lizzy is currently discipling. **We appreciate your prayers for Melissa.**

Lizzy has been meeting with a group of young ladies who have shown interest in reading through the Bible. They have been meeting to discuss each book of the Bible they read, ask questions, and talk about the next book they will be reading—topics, difficult passages, etc. **We ask for your prayers for this Bible reading group.**

We are excited to tell you about upcoming events in this month of March, and **we also highly appreciate your prayers.** We will be hosting biblical counselors, Chris and Dawn Phillips, in charge of Selah Ministries, who will be sharing a workshop for the teachers and parents of the Christian school students. They will be speaking on the topics of Depression and Anxiety, as well as participating in our counseling classes at IPES. The following week, March 20-24, we will be in Phoenix, AZ, for our annual mission board staff and missionary meetings. **We appreciate your prayers for that as well.**

We can't thank you enough for all your prayers and support, and we pray that God would continue to bless you!



Ivan leads biweekly meetings to prep for the mission trip.



Getting all the hamburger orders ready for pick up!



The 2023 Costa Rica mission team members!



The Bible reading group



Young Adults' Valentine's dinner