



Thank you, Host Families!

Let's face it, not all of us have houses decorated to perfection like Martha Stewart. We can't all cook a delectable southern dinner like Paula Dean. We don't all have mansions with countless rooms like Bill Gates. So, how did we pull off placing 80 people into homes over the course of 10 days and manage to feed them and transport them where they needed to go? Host Families! So many of you volunteered to open your homes and hearts to Y.V.O. missionaries, and many of you dropped off bottled water, cookies, chips, and lunch supplies. When the teams arrived and slept in the host church the first night, they had sleeping bags, sheets and pillows because you cared. When we needed life jackets, ice chests, tents, or cars, you didn't even hesitate to help. Various churches partnered with NLHM and hosted the teams for different meal times as well, providing much needed reinforcements between their community work during the day, and then their park ministry every evening. Bus drivers drove, cooks whipped up scrumptious breakfasts, and families went above and beyond the call of duty and took a personal interest in their missionaries. Some of you even showed them the beauty of Mt. Rainer, the orchards, and even drove them to the mall—which they talked about excitedly afterwards! There were times you had to get up extra early to drop off your missionary at the host church. There were other times when you were burning the midnight oil waiting for them to get back after a long evening of singing, puppets, and face painting. You changed each missionary's life by willingly caring for them even when your schedules were packed and your time limited. When they think of their short term missionary Y.V.O. experience, they are going to think about the love *you* showed. We thank you for investing in their lives, for supporting NLHM, and for being given to hospitality. We could never have done this without you!

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Upcoming Events

October 28-30
Leader's Retreat in Chapala, Jalisco (Mexico) ministering to 20 key families in the Circle of Silence

November 24
Thanksgiving Dinner at IBVN Community Outreach Event in Yakima, WA

January 27- February 7
Health Fair Mission Trip to the Highlands of Jalisco, Mexico

Our Needs

- **Prayer**
 - Prayer Supporters
 - Prayer Walkers
- **Personnel**
 - Missionary couples and/or individuals.
 - Interns, mid and/or short term missionaries.
 - Volunteers
- **Partnerships**
 - Like minded churches, ministries and individuals.
- **Provision**
 - Individual financial supporters
 - Church and Christian Business Support.

Financial Report

January to September 2010

General Fund
(Including Garcia's support)
Contributions: \$31,934.48
Expenses: \$38,639.19
Balance: **\$ -6,704.71**

Aguilar's Support
Contributions: \$22,285.00
Expenses: \$25,200.00
Balance: **\$ -2,915.00**

Sali's Support
Contributions: \$15,990.17
Expenses: \$13,970.80
Balance: \$2,019.37



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Eternity Starts Now!

One of the greatest results of evangelism is a transformed life. When people receive eternal life by putting their faith in Jesus Christ, their salvation not only affects them for all eternity, but it also radically begins changing their lives in the here and now. So, what does that "New Life" mean? When we say a person has been "born again," then this new creature will start showing new attitudes and behaviors that before were non-existent. The person hasn't changed in order to become saved, but the change begins to occur because of God's work in their lives. Of course, this process of a new Christian becoming more like Christ is different for every person. It may take more or less time depending on the person's heart, but God is always faithful to complete the good work that He begins in the lives of His children until the day of Christ.

What about the immediate benefits of salvation for us as a community? In the midst of a society in moral, spiritual, and economic decay, we can see how transformed lives can have an effect on changing the thread of our cities, and even our nation. Even though we are citizens of heaven, we can't help but imagine the possibilities of the Gospel's power to positively impact our communities. Our hope is in heaven, but we all know our temporal lives are grounded on this earth. It is no secret, even though it is not spoken of in public circles very often, that there is a lot of prejudice and fear towards Hispanics because of their increasing numbers, as well as the potential they have to change our society. NLHM's aim is for them to know Christ. The ripple effect is that of God-honoring, Hispanic families who will become better citizens and who may even impact their own countries with the knowledge of Christ. Not only that, but evangelizing in this demographic can even result in godly Hispanic leaders in our community that can have a lasting effect for generations to come. **I am not talking about teaching new Hispanic believers to behave "American," but I do think we all should behave "Christian" since that is our identity in Christ.** Ultimately, God calls us to be model citizens on earth. Evangelism isn't just about the eternal. It's about reaping immediate, positive, God-sized changes through discipling others to be outstanding ambassadors of the Kingdom of God to our community and beyond!

Once again, thank you for partnering for us!

In Him,

Elias Garcia
General Director



We thank God that Yakima Valley Outreach touched and changed so many lives! One of NLHM's most ambitious short term mission projects to date, it brought together over 80 people from 5 countries and reached Yakima, Tieton, Toppenish, and Othello with the message of Jesus Christ. Take a peek at what the Lord accomplished through the eyes of some Y.V.O. team members during this unique mission trip that took place this past August.

Pastor Jari's Account

God's hand moved in an extraordinary way through Yakima Valley Outreach. The team, made up of brethren from Panama, Mexico, Venezuela, Dallas, and my country of Costa Rica, was united in their purpose to proclaim the name of Christ. **It was incredible to hear people asking, "What moved you to come here?" "Why are you painting my house?" "Is someone going to pay you?" The response was the same—Jesus Christ.** It was amazing to see the smiles on the faces of the children in the park, ready to listen and receive the message. It was inspiring to see parents with open hearts and open homes willing to give us five minutes to share the love of Jesus. Even with the heat, the exhaustion, the language barriers, and cultural differences, the goal was to present the message of Christ to anyone who would listen. As one of the team leaders, I wished I could have re-captured my youth after seeing young team members' energy and enthusiasm. It was contagious! As someone once said, "Youth is a divine treasure." One young team member kept asking me, "How much time do we have left?" Sometimes I would say, "Just a few minutes," to which he would respond, "Good, that gives me time to visit one more home." I was able to see this spirit all week long in all the team members. All that is left for me to do now is to thank the Lord for manifesting His power during those days. There are too many good things to mention, and any negatives aren't even worth noting because the life of Christ emerged out of every Y.V.O. ambassador of the King. Mission accomplished!

Natznel's Perspective

This mission trip was an enriching and enjoyable adventure. It was a time of intense learning. **We were constantly learning how to speak more English, how to be punctual, how to eat meals on a different schedule, how to evangelize and how to do things that we needed to do even when we didn't want to do them.** Our team was glad that we had prepared for hard, fast paced work, because we were able to keep up even during the long days of community outreach and ministry. It was a blessing to see such a diverse team that the Holy Spirit gifted to minister effectively. Some were gifted in music, others did puppets and dramas, and others used their gift of helps. I cannot measure the impact that was produced in Yakima, but I believe we did God's work—and I believe we can do even more. After returning to Mexico, we realized that we had experienced true spiritual growth. In my town of Arandas, Mexico, we are now working harder than ever not only in our church, but also in the streets. We know that God wants us to continue serving Him and that His Word never returns void.

Lucy's Point of View

Lucy Endicott, 23, from Hoods Port, OR, heard about Y.V.O. from Nate Montgomery at a church conference about a year ago. She wanted desperately to go to Mexico on a short term mission trip for the summer, but felt like the Lord wasn't leading her there. Financially, it would be a big commitment, which also weighed heavy on her mind. As Lucy learned more about Y.V.O., she was immediately drawn to the idea since it involved Mexican believers coming to the states instead of the other way around. It would also be affordable, since Lucy wouldn't even need to purchase an airline ticket and could easily just drive over to Yakima. She also liked that Y.V.O. would use both Spanish and non-Spanish speakers to minister together to reach others for Christ. From the first Festival of Life in Toppenish, where Lucy enthusiastically passed out flyers to cars stopped at a nearby traffic light, to her work in Tieton painting park benches, Lucy had an electrifying smile and a contagious positive attitude about serving others. She had an opportunity to stay with the Troys, from Toppenish, and the Johnsons, who live in Yakima. The most exciting part of the trip was her experience in Othello, where she ministered to the Mixteco Indians. "There were so many kids from the labor camps and they were so happy to be there and even offered to help with the cotton candy machine!" A "kid magnet," Lucy connected well with children during the mission trip, and was excited to see the kids learn more about Jesus from the Bible stories in the park.

Steven Montgomery's Experience

Steven Montgomery, (not to be confused with his dad Steve Montgomery, who is a missionary in Atotonilco, Mexico), and his entire family of seven, made the trip from Dallas, Texas to Yakima. One of the main leaders during the trip, Steven led the group who ministered in Toppenish throughout the week. Steven, who is Nate Montgomery's brother, is no stranger to ministry since he was born and raised on the mission field. This trip was different for him, in the sense that he wasn't always on the front lines going door to door, but was faithfully making sure all the team's day to day needs were being met. A "good" problem the Toppenish team encountered was that they were constantly running low on tracts, balloons, face paints, and other materials. **"I didn't know what to expect," said Steven. "At times I felt unprepared."** But he did a great job of making sure the team kept its focus, especially in the evenings when they went to different parks and talked with people about the Lord. When he reflected on the trip, the generosity of one woman stood out to him. "Here we were, 80 people needing to go to Othello and we didn't have transportation, and then this lady just lets us use her bus!" It was a memorable experience, picking up trash and donating clothes in the blazing heat in a Mixteco neighborhood in Othello. Afterwards, we had a Festival of Life with over 200 people. It was an emotional night, hearing NLHM Director Elias Garcia speaking Spanish and an interpreter speaking the Mixteco dialect. Between squishing into cars and using that woman's church's bus, the event would not have been a reality. Even now, after the trip is becoming a distant memory, its effect can be felt now in Dallas, TX. The team is learning more mimes and practicing every Monday night so that they can do the same things they learned from Y.V.O. on their home turf. Team member Susan Moore, is working to send some Christmas shoeboxes to the Mixteco Indians! "Overall," Steven said, "It was an incredible experience. The Lord did some good things in that town—in us. A lot of people heard the Gospel. The team learned a lot."

From the Field

Tieton, WA – Aguilar's:

Lasting Summer "Spiritual" Fruit

After all the door to door contacts, Festivals of Life, community service, and other evangelistic activities in Tieton, the Lord brought about some astounding results. The Aguilar family was faithful to do the work, alongside the Y.V.O. team, and the Lord has brought about some lasting, eternal fruit from their endeavors. During the team's outreach in the main park, a woman became interested in knowing more about God. She attended Tieton Bible Church the following Sunday and accepted the Lord! That Monday, the Aguilar's visited the husband, who then decided to follow Christ as well! **Currently, there are 2 families that are attending Tieton Bible Church because of the work of the Y.V.O. mission trip.** The Aguilars continue to make contacts with even more families who responded during the summer outreach, and are doing home Bible studies with Hispanic families who are hungry for God's Word. Pastor Juan is also seriously studying English, and the church is offering piano lessons and guitar lessons to its members. It's just another way the Aguilars are uniquely reaching their community for Christ. Please be praying that God would continue to multiply the fruit of their ministry. Thank you so much for your support of the Aguilar family! Please be praying for them in these areas.

- *That God would allow Juan to become fluent in speaking English*
- *That the 2 new families and other contacts would be committed and grow in the Lord*
- *That God would continue to add new families and believers to the church*
- *For God's blessing on the Aguilar family as they minister, and that they would have God's strength, peace, wisdom and endurance.*



Arandas, Jalisco (Mexico) – Sali's:

VBS Success!

Imagine for a moment that every single family in your church worked together to create a community outreach event. What kind of damage could you do? By that, I mean, how many people could you truly impact for Christ? Well, this summer, in spite of a Washington youth team who was unable to help this year with our VBS, the Nueva Vida Baptist Church in Arandas had the opportunity to see God's power give them their answer to that question. Everyone was a little worried, but the church decided against scaling back, and even added evening marriage classes to the mix. **Would it work? Only if everyone gave something.**

Alyssa was chosen coordinator, so we saw firsthand how everyone in the 60 member church contributed. From making snacks, to teaching, to buying prizes, to guarding the door--there was a job for everyone. Around 120 kids came during the week, including about 25 from our little neighborhood. Some of their parents and neighbors took a big step (risking social consequences), by attending the evening marriage talks. We were very encouraged to see some of our friends growing in their understanding of what a relationship with Jesus actually looks like. The local church youth did a great job with the puppets, crowd control, games, and even choreographed songs. They also had a chance to *really* get to know each other! As a result, we, along with another couple from the church, have started youth meetings. This fall, we have enjoyed visits from family and are settling into more of a comfortable routine of school, work, church and friendships. We are looking forward to the end of October, when NLHM team members from various churches will be hosting the annual Leadership Retreat—a much needed break for church leaders who usually work two jobs and have little opportunity for further study or enrichment.

We thank you for your prayers and support! Please continue praying with us for these requests.

- *Wisdom for us as parents*
- *Our testimony among our neighbors*
- *The Church's testimony in the Jalisco Highlands*
- *The partnerships that have been formed across cultures between churches here and in the States.*

