

Sonora, Mexico

Medicine for Sonora, Mexico

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We have had a miraculous supernatural breakthrough with our work in Mexico. The Lord has moved with His Mighty Hand in our ministry work and has blessed us with favor and an open door into Mexico. I must tell you the story from the beginning.....

We received the second shipment of supplies from Hunger Plus and World in Need a few weeks ago and ran into a bit of trouble getting the medicines into Mexico because the medicines had an expiry date that was past due, which you knew about. The Government Agency in Sonora, Mexico (DIF - Family Development Services) would not allow us across into Mexico with these medicines legally. The Director of the Government Agency (DIF) in San Luis is called Asela Ayala Cota and she is a lawyer by profession.

The Lord directed us to seek out a doctor in Mexico who could test the medicines and perhaps approve the medicines for use in Mexico. Efren contacted Asela and she recommended Dr. Juan Francisco Comparan, who is the major doctor in the State Government of Sonora, Mexico.

Efren met with Dr. Comparan and presented some samples of the medicines. Dr. Comparan tested the medicines and was in full support of their distribution in Sonora, Mexico. He contacted the Government Agency Director and we obtained a letter from the State Government (DIF) approving the use of these medicines in Sonora, Mexico and Dr. Comparan has sanctioned the use of these medicines for up to 1 year from the date of acceptance in Mexico.

Dr. Comparan will provide all the prescriptions along with the other doctors in San Luis to ensure that the poor people are receiving the proper use of these medicines. We have obtained approval to transport as much medicine as we want with the official approval of the Sonora State Government in Mexico. You will see photos of a shipment that we took across into Mexico and are now storing in a secure storage facility in Lagonitas for distribution by the government doctors to the areas that we are ministering in and surrounding areas that we will be influencing soon.

Dr. Comparan is thrilled to be working with the quality of medicines that we are providing because as he stated, "the people in Mexico do not typically receive the quality of medicines that we are providing". He thinks this is a wonderful thing for the area and for the poor people who are blessed with this ministry work. Dr. Comparan went on to say that "this has never happened to them in this area before where he has worked".

Also, the media in San Luis has picked up on the work that is being done by Jerusalem Evangelical Ministries and our partners, and has published in two different newspapers, full articles on the distribution of the supplies in the area complete with pictures.

Efren told us that Dr. Comparan would also be encouraging other doctors, who treat people in the poor communities, to participate in helping us to distribute the supplies including the medicines. There is a severe lack of this quality of medicines and surgical supplies in Mexico and it is almost impossible for the poor to afford or receive from Government Welfare Programs. This last shipment was as "Good as Gold"!

I would like to restate that Dr. Comparan and the other doctors who work with us will examine and authorize prescriptions for the communities where we minister such as Lagonitas. They will also administer the medicines to the surrounding poor communities which should give us an open door to proclaim the gospel in word and deed. Now that we have an open door into Mexico, we want to get these supplies into the Baja area of Santa Rosalia where we have a doctor husband and wife team who serve to the desperate people in the area. Their names are Dr. Fernando Perez and Dr. Ma Rode Perez and they are also part of our ministry.

We are confident that this move of the Holy Spirit in the area of Sonora, Mexico will launch us into all other states in Mexico where the Lord will direct us. Please continue to pray for us as we press on in the things of the Lord and glorify His Holy Name by doing His work according to His purpose and plan. Because of the generosity that Hunger Plus and World in Need have extended, we are eternally grateful and praise the Lord continuously for His faithfulness and yours.

Lord Bless you all.
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