

# Desert Streams Ministries

Taking Streams of Living Water to a Dry and Weary Land.

**Update for July, 2023**

**Dear Friends, Family and Supporters**



Preaching in our church in Tulancingo

We pray that you have been having a great summer. Ours has been going well, including hosting a youth camp, building some kitchen cabinets, conducting women's meetings, finishing our spring Bible school semester, and hosting our Advanced School of Ministry team meeting. Let's talk about it!

## **Youth Camp**

In the month of May, we hosted a youth camp here on our property. You may know that Anna is serving as our youth leader, and she helped to organize this

camp. We had a group of young people here for two nights and three days. The boys stayed in tents, while the girls slept upstairs in the loft of our lodge.

Besides all the fun activities and campfires that are typical at camps, we also had some wonderful ministry and worship times. Titled "The Awakening," we explored themes such as identity, emotional health, living your dream, the gender crisis, and more. Our group of kids had a great time, and many were impressed by how they experienced God's movement in their lives during our time together.

We pray that "The Awakening" will continue to have an impact on every aspect of these young people's lives.



Some of our youth at the camp.

## **Women's Meetings**

In June, Sara began a series of meetings for the women of our church and community called "Conversations." Instead of just preaching to them, the idea has been to present themes as a panel of four people and simply have a conversation around the topic. On June 3, we hosted a ladies' breakfast with catering service. With the theme "Abiding in Christ," Sara, Anna, Adriana, and Zabdi discussed different aspects of how to remain connected to the Lord throughout our day and week.

At the end of the meeting, Anna and some of the other young girls ministered to the women individually in prayer. It was amazing to see how the Lord touched several of them, bringing them into a new place of relationship and freedom.

## **Bible School**

Our spring semester concluded on June 19, with a special meeting in which Bill Brown ministered the Word to our students. We had about 120 students successfully complete their courses as many of them work toward a bachelor's degree in theology.

Also, in May, we completed the recording of the second part of our Genesis course with Enrique Borja, our Bible teacher from Puebla. We recorded 24 classes in two days. That was an incredible marathon! After recording, I began developing the quizzes, exams, and forum discussions for the course. We'll be offering the course in our fall semester, which will begin in August.



A breakfast meeting for women

## **Advanced School of Ministry**

We were privileged to host the Advanced School of Ministry team meeting here at our house. We had the entire team stay with us for three days of meetings and strategic planning.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this letter, Sara thought it would be best to have the kitchen in our lodge in order before the meeting, so I spent a couple of weeks in June building and installing the cabinets.

Most of our leadership group arrived on Wednesday morning and stayed through Friday evening. We hosted some of the team members, while others stayed in our neighbors' cabins. We did the meetings and meals in our lodge, which was the perfect type of room for a planning meeting. A couple from our church did all the cooking and catering. What delicious and beautifully decorated plates of food they served!

We spent our time casting vision for the future of this ministry, working on team-building activities, and planning for the upcoming conferences. We had a good meeting!



The series of women's meetings continues monthly. Pictured are some of the women enjoying refreshments after the meeting on July 7, 2023.

## Thanks for your support!

While there is much more to share, these are the highlights of the last couple of months. We really appreciate your prayers and financial support. You are our partners in ministry, and we're thankful for you!

*With love,*

*David and Sara Lont  
with Anna*

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Our Advanced School of Ministry team meeting