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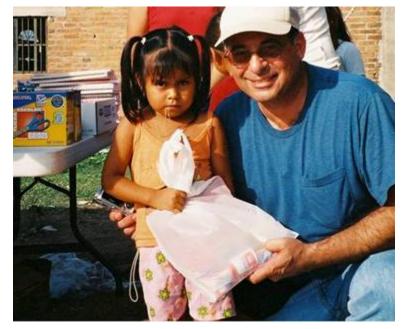
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School supplies for 100 children.

Puerto Vallarta, Mexico- After successfully finding a one bedroom apartment, our focus was fixed on ministry. The place that the Lord laid on our hearts was the municipal garbage dump where approximately 80 families live on top of the trash heap. They migrate in their makeshift habitations constructed out of garbage to the fresh picking areas where new landfill has opened up. There are children born on the dump that do not know any other life than picking through garbage; scavenging to survive. The sad fact is that ten thousand people pick through the dump when they are laid off during the tourist slow season. The same people that are cooks, waiters, bottle washers, hotel maids, receptionists, bus boys, etc, pick the dump to survive. I believe that you and I can make a difference. I believe that we can minister to the poor; body, soul, and spirit. We chose the name "**Bread of Life**", ("Pan de Vida" in Spanish) for this ministry.

I was riding around the dump with my friend Nick Danos and his thirteen year old son Ben when I felt led to pray for guidance. I prayed that the Lord would lead us to the person who has favor in that place and good character to help us reach the families living on and around the dump. After praying I said, "Nick turn here". We turned and went about a block and a half and I said, "Stop the car". There was a banner on a small church under construction that read, "**Bread of life**". Pastor Luis Miguel and his wife Lupita were pleased to meet us and we instantly bonded with like vision and purpose.



Many children living at the dump received clothing.



Nick and Ben Danos purchasing food for these needy children.

Two days later, the pastor's wife and her friend met us at the store where they helped us in shopping for school supplies and groceries for 100 children. The ladies passed the word and the kids and their mothers came out. They were really blessed and many expressed their gratitude. We also gave out clothing that matched the recipient's size and gender. Later, the children were led in singing songs. They were ministered to; body, soul and spirit. I want to thank you all; especially the Danos family for ministering to these needy little ones.

Our strategy is this: we begin a feeding program and build relationships in the community, lead the children and their families to Christ, and start our Bible School "Vida Internacional" to give them spiritual foundations. From there, we will plant churches that minister to body, soul, and spirit.

Carol and I are starting a child sponsorship program so that we can continue to minister to these children. There are currently 120 children that need a sponsor. For less than a dollar a day, \$25 a month, you can sponsor a little one. Be a "Charter Sponsor" and sponsor one of the first 120 children. Fill out the enclosed form and drop it in the envelope, or email us today. You can also send a one time gift to support this ministry. As always, we couldn't do it without you. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Together We Make a Difference;

Together We Touch the World!!!

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