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Here in Mexico we get to experience firsthand the Miles of Smiles and sheer happiness expressed upon the children's faces as they simultaneously unbox their little bundles! Many of you know the joy of buying all those little stocking stuffers for the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Drive and then cramming them into that tiny package of love. Our ministry then pays for our boxes to be shipped from the Mexican border to our city. We usually receive the shoeboxes just in time for the 6th of January, 'Day of the Kings' celebration. Yes we celebrate! When we distribute the shoeboxes we challenge the children to make a pledge to faithfully attend all of the 12 Bible lessons that accompanies their gift which teaches them to be a faithful follower of Jesus Christ. After each lesson the children are challenged to an interactive question and answer session and it blesses my socks off to hear their sweet responses.

We are blessed to celebrate our Savior's birth with the shoebox gifts and use the curriculum at both our Children's Centers in Mezcales, 'Cardboard-Landia' and also at several of our Vida Churches children's programs. One boy was ecstatic to pull a puffy orange coat out of the box. He exclaimed, "This was expensive!" Many of the kids hugged their stuffed animals and the little girls loved on their baby dolls. I tell the children that wonderful families from the United States and Canada who love Jesus and love all of them sent these precious gifts. The shoeboxes are just another way we share Jesus' love with the children here at our Vida Centers. Thank you for your ongoing prayers and financial gifts. Your support is key in helping us to facilitate the children's program and ignite an atmosphere of love and care for the children of Mexico & beyond.

Together we are Changing Children's Lives,

Lee & Carol

**Miles and Miles
of Smiles!**



Say a Prayer!

PRAYERS ARE BEING ANSWERED!

1. Pray for **FUNDS** to complete the Children’s Center in “Cardboard-Landia”, San Vicente MX.
2. Pray for the revamp & relaunch of Video training for a new generation of Vida ministers. This will be though the focus of VIDA PERU.
3. Pray for our Haitian missions and our incorporation of Vida Ministries in Haiti.
4. Pray for provision, protection, favor, health, spiritual growth & multiplication of Vida Ministries worldwide.



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