

Dear Friends,

If anyone wants to find me on a Monday night in Manzanillo, I am locked up for about 4 hours in the local prison. Believe me, it's not pleasant. stinks, it's sticky, hot and filthy. One night, while showing a movie, a rat began to run up my pant leg! What keeps me going back? I want to win new souls and "make disciples". We have a Bible memorization program, they love to worship and are learning to pray.

One night I called for testimonies. young man by the name of Jesus came forward to testify. He said that he hated being locked up in prison. voice cracking and tears streaming down his face, he said, "But now I thank God for being here, because here I have received Jesus Christ as my savior and each week I am learning more about Him."

Two of the five trustees cooking in the kitchen were women prisoners, locked up for prostitution. They attended the meeting on the other side of the bars. One of them sobbed with a broken heart of repentance. While praying for a young man with a mohawk haircut, I watched as he tried his best to refrain from weeping. His heart pounded like it would burst. He told me that when we are there he experiences the presence of In fact, during his first meeting with us, he was suffering from a lot of pain in his legs and during the worship, he was instantly healed.

One of the prisoners by the name of Francisco was beat up for his commitment Francisco was bea to Christ.

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HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE PRISON MINISTRY ? CAPTIVATING ... (1715)



First prisoners to memorize John 3:16-18



cigarettes or drugs, and for that he was beaten. Since then, he has been released. He goes to church regularly and, on occasion, goes out with me to evangelize.

## V.I.D.A. (Life)

The average workday means loading the van with music, video and sound equipment, and with 2 to 10 companions. We drive for an hour or two to a small village. There we work with a local pastor to reach his community for Jesus. As we evangelize out of the local church, one of the greatest needs we see is the training and equipping of believers. Many of the pastors themselves have very little Bible training. Audio and video cassettes are a practical and cost effective way of bringing Bible education to those in remote villages who are unable to go away for formal training.

I would like to start this work in the new year, calling it "V.I.D.A. (Life)," <u>Video Instituto De Las Americas</u>. We will begin the institute with classes on the fundamentals of the scriptures to educate the believer, then expand to a one year program to train the Christian worker, then to a two year course of studies on the pastoral level.

The vision for this Bible institute is to serve the entire body of Christ. I am currently in the process of contacting and locating some of the best Spanish speaking Bible teachers and pastors in the country. The task is monumental, but the impact from this institute, I believe, would have a profound effect upon the Spanish speaking world. There is nothing like this in Spanish. Every Mexican pastor I have discussed this with is exuberant and wants this program in their church.

What do we need? Just a few things . . . <u>lots of prayer</u>, personnel (teachers, technicians and secretarial assistance), video and audio equipment (for production and duplication) and funds (money). I am meeting with Mexican pastors and missionaries. We are pulling together equipment, resources, and personnel. If you want to be a part of a miracle, you can be. Earmark any contribution to V.I.D.A. All those funds will go to getting this video Bible school started.

In His service,

Lue, Carol. Josh, Amy, Sarah



Evangelizing on the streets of Colima.