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Carmen's daughters and grandchildren.

ABANDONED WOMEN in Mexico is a serious problem. Women are discarded and children suffer. While men seek the thrill of a new conquest they leave behind them a trail of broken hearts. Carmen stopped by the ministry base for a cup of water and a rest on the way home. She, her daughter and two grandchildren were all deserted in the last two years. Every day, she walks down the muddy streets, dodging the rivulets of sewer water. She peddles cut up cactus and soft cheese in a broken baby stroller, pausing once in a while to put the wheel back on. She tries to sell enough to buy beans and tortillas and make it thru another day. Her grandchildren attend our program where she has volunteered to cook economical nourishing meals.

As she rested she told me of the night before, when she fell in the mud in the dark and for a while could not get up. She finally arrived home that night covered from head to toe in mud. Her roof leaks and she says it rains more inside her house than outside. Carol and I paid a visit there to give the children clothes. I went up on the roof with Pastor Miguel to assess labor and materials to repair her flat roof. We calculate that it will take approximately \$700 for the repair. If you'd like to help, just earmark you contribution "Roof Relief".



Angelica brought plants as a gift to celebrate our move.

July is a memorable month for us. Last July, Bay Ridge Christian Church came down and worked a long 2 weeks helping us pour foundations and begin building the Ministry base. THIS JULY, Carol and I moved into the downstairs while still working on our upstairs apartment. The next day, the electric company told us to dig the hole for the concrete post. The day after that, they put in the post. This is a miracle! We are amazed at how far God has brought us. We are excited about building relationships, hoping to draw our neighbors to Christ with cords of love. Thank you for your gifts and prayers which help make this possible.

Together We are Life Savers,

Lee & Carol

Say a prayer:

1. Kitchen setup including stove & stationery propane tank for feeding center in Ministry Base.
2. Favor with officials – quick action on permits, licenses, & city water.
3. Resources to finish our living quarters.
4. Continued health and safety in these tumultuous times.
5. Continue to win hearts for Christ & help them grow in faith.
6. Continue to pray for Vida Internacional our video Bible School for the development of a web site to develop Christian leaders around the word.



Everyone wanted to help dig the hole for the electric pole.

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