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I have a question for you. Apart from their eternal salvation, why is it so critical to teach about Christ and His kingdom principles to these little ones? It's because such foundational teaching is crucial in the prevention of exploitation of these children by the drug cartels.

I count it an honor and a privilege to play a small part in the spiritual formation and transformation of children's lives. Recently my Mexican team and I participated in four of our children's discipleship program's graduations using curriculum supplied by Franklin Graham's Samaritan's Purse Ministry.

I remember asking the children in our 'Cardboard Landia' Vida Center the question "What is a leader? Their response was shocking! Without exception their answers were the names of mob bosses and cartel figures. It never even entered the children's minds that a leader could be a good-hearted person who serves others and loves God.

It is my opinion based on more than 30 years of ministry in Latin America that most poor families have relatives and or family members who have or are currently working for the cartels in one fashion or another. The problem of organized crime and human trafficking, extortion, the illegal drug trade and all forms of moral corruption and injustice is much greater than anyone can possibly imagine.

I have questioned on more than one occasion why I am combating such insurmountable odds. I even asked my wife why we were doing what we do? She responded, "God called us here to do what we do. Mexico needs you, Lee." I have learned I must be content with incremental changes in children's lives and in the lives of their families as they are part of our Vida churches and our Vida Community Centers. It is "here a little, there a little, line upon line" of being consistent, serving our Lord through serving the children and our neighbors to the south.



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We want to give a BIG SHOUT OUT to all of you who are praying and financially participating in Raising Up Kingdom Kids here in Mexico, the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

Thank You!

*Lee & Carol*

Together we are LSMI/Vida Internacional!

**Prayers:** 'Emergency Funds' for Medical supplies and food rations for Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Pastor Pedro in the Dominican Republic informed us that two Covid19 variants have caused a resurgence of the disease in the DR and Haiti. Please keep them in you prayers. Haiti has no effective treatments nor vaccine.

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