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LA CONCHA, JALISCO- We set out at 5am on a Friday and drove a total of nine hours that day; four and a half hours there and back. We drove for two hours on paved roads wrapping around hairpin curves in the utter darkness only to be blinded by the headlights of heavily loaded tractor trailers. Each truck caused us to slow to a near stop to keep from driving off a cliff. We then drove off-road for another two and a half hours on a very narrow single lane dirt road climbing and dipping with constant sharp curves going around the mountains. When we did meet an occasional pickup truck one of us would have to back up to find a shoulder wide enough in order to let the other vehicle pass. Fortunately for us only a few of the mountain folks own a vehicle, most families have a mule or a horse for their mode of transportation making it easier to pass them along the way.

You may be wondering why, out of the hundreds of children that are trained in our local ministries in the Puerto Vallarta area, would we go so far to work with the children in this little remote mountain village of four hundred peasant farmers? First, Jesus loves them. Second, there is no evangelical church or mission there. Third, we have family connections though some of our emerging young leaders in Mezcales who wanted us to help them reach their loved ones and their village for Christ.

This is our second year training these children in God's Word using the Samaritan's Purse material. Due to the distance from the Mezcales Center our team will not be able to give the 12 weekly Bible classes so we have a team of ladies that we have put in charge of taking attendance and teaching the lessons. Eloida, a mature Christian from the village, along with two other





local mothers have volunteered to teach the children. When the children grow up in these tiny villages they usually do not stay because of their extreme poverty. As young adults, they normally move to a city where they can find work and start a family. As we share the Good News of God's Love and train them in the basic truths of scripture, we are sowing seeds that will come to fruition and then eventually be transplanted. By God's grace they will multiply in other fields bringing more souls into Christ's Kingdom. This is our prayer and ultimate purpose.

Thank you for partnering with us so together we can reach and raise up these Seventy disciples!

Together we are LSMI/Vida Internacional,

Ju & Carol

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