

April 2006 Email Update

Dear friends:

My recent mission trip to Honduras March 31-April 7 with Crossroads Community Church is full of exciting stories! I had the privilege to serve as an interpreter for the evangelism team, give my testimony twice in two women's tea parties, lead the team to visit the women's prison and give the gospel message to the women in prison. I am in awe of the many opportunities the Lord gave us to share the gospel and the positive response of many people!

I will not forget Rene. Rene was a business man on his way to Tegucigalpa when we asked him if he could spare us a few minutes. He started out asking what kind of cult we are. The evangelism team (4 of us) gently shared with him and his 2 friends that we are not any cult but that we wanted to tell him about God's love. He had a lot of questions about the church, the 10 commandments, what is important before God. As we answered all his questions he and his 2 friends prayed the sinner's prayer. PTL!

Before we left Rene wanted to pray. He prayed, "Dear God, thank you for letting us meet these people today. I pray that you help me overcome temptations and give me the strength to follow you". I had tears in my eyes after Rene prayed. After 45 minutes of explaining the heart of God is love, the Holy Spirit opened his heart that it is not about following or not following rules. It is about loving God and loving your neighbor. I believe the Lord brought us to Honduras for Divine appointments He had prepared a long time ago with people like Rene and his friends.

I came home convinced that I am on the right track - Continue the road to Spanish language fluency to effectively impact Latin America for Christ!

Thank you prayers and support.

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Attached is a photo of Rene and his friends with some members of the evangelism team.



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