



“Give Ye Them To Eat”

An Integrated Development Program

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Dear Friends,

We are writing to express our heartfelt thanks for all that you have done and do in support of the ministry of “Give Ye Them To Eat.” The GYTTE program staff have been actively working with the resource-challenged rural families in mountain villages and small towns across south-central Mexico during the days, weeks and months of 2016. They have touched countless lives and those people have gone on to improve the lives of their families and communities.

Your compassion and generosity have made it possible for the staff to walk with the people of the rural sector in their journey to progress and, in turn, serve others. Families are sharing the new skills and knowledge they have gained by participating in development opportunities and training events you have funded. Possibly you have met those who make up the personnel of GYTTE but there are those who have not. We would like you to come to know them.



Clara Palacios

Clara, the program administrator, and **Ivonne**, the bilingual secretary, have been working overtime to keep up with the production of educational materials for GYTTE’s six areas of service. They put their best efforts and love of the Lord into all that they do, knowing that the resources they produce will be a factor in changing lives and communities.



Ivonne Mendoza



Verónica Palacios

Nurse **Veronica** diligently researches the subject matter for the health courses and continuing education classes offered through GYTTE’s “More Than A Bandage” program. This year GYTTE offered 2 one-week health courses; Basic Health and the Intermediate Health Course on First-Aid as well as five classes for continuing education in different communities across the region. **Veronica** and **Estela** are the dynamic duo who lead the courses and several program graduates also join in the teaching. The village women who participated in the spring and fall courses are now looking forward to their graduation once they complete their Advanced Health Course planned for the spring of 2017.

The GYTTE accountant, **Idida**, is a clergy wife as well as a passionate number-cruncher who strives to make every financial donation stretch as far as possible. That way more farming families have the opportunity to learn how to improve their health, to implement appropriate technologies that will enhance their lives, and come to know Christ as their personal Savior.



Idida Pérez



Catalino Sánchez

As administrator of GYTTE’s Tree of Life Training Center, **Catalino** coordinates the training events, agricultural production and construction activities. He’s an energetic and friendly instructor who enjoys working alongside villagers and farmers as together they discover they themselves have the potential to change their circumstances for the good.

Estela is the other instructor at the Center whose creativity continues to amaze her colleagues and students alike. Women, men, youth and children who participate in the classes she teaches not only learn but have fun doing so. Most everyone remembers her winning smile.



Estela Jiménez



Carlos Ramírez, Juan Ramales, Liborio Marín

Liborio, Carlos, Marce and Juan are the muscle behind the agricultural, community and livestock development activities. The Training Center is the special place that it is because they work hard to make it so; planting and harvesting, caring for the livestock, welding doors and windows, etc. They also share what they have learned working with natural construction materials



Marce Pérez

like rammed-earth, straw bales, and cob as well as their knowledge of appropriate technologies with those who enroll in the courses offered at the Center and out in the rural communities.

And then there is **Lore**, the dining room coordinator and cook. For anyone who has visited the Tree of Life Training Center, her contribution is well known. She keeps everyone content and well fed with her scrumptious Mexican meals that she learned as a young girl helping her mother at home and the great American dishes she has mastered to please the teams, volunteers and U.S. visitors who frequent the Center. She is quite famous in the village of Tlancualpican for her cakes and pizzas!



Lore Muñoz

This is the team of Mexican nationals who carry out the ministry of “Give Ye Them To Eat” in the Southeast Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of Mexico, that covers a multi-state area. As founders of the GYTTE program we are blessed to call them our friends and family and as retired GBGM missionaries we are grateful for their continued service. Thank you for making their ministry a reality through your prayers, gifts and in many cases, your service in Mexico.

If you are contemplating an end-of-the-year gift for GYTTE, you might consider UMC #GIVING TUESDAY on Nov. 29th, the perfect time to do so. We’ll be on the Internet that day as well, as we send our gift through the GBGM ADVANCE to help provide ongoing funds for ministry in Mexico. To process your gift for GIVING TUESDAY, click on the image below. Financial gifts for GYTTE need to be designated as follows: **Give Ye Them To Eat or No. 07629A**

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you,

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