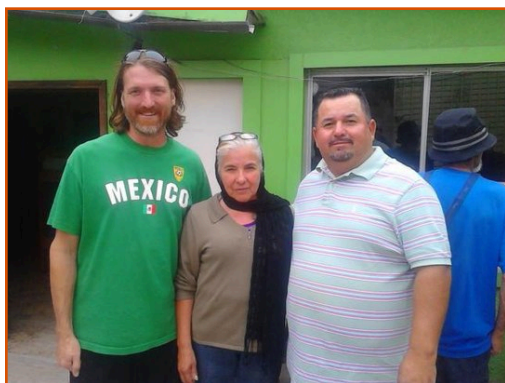


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Flowers for a friend.



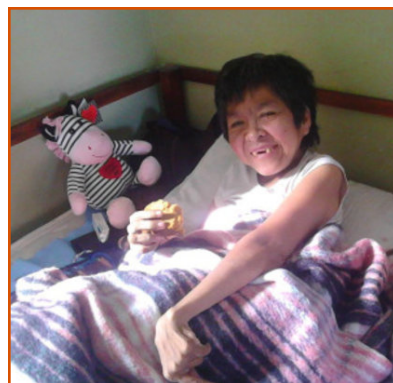
"Saint" Helen



Helen with her inspirations.

One of the things we love to do, is take volunteer teams around Tijuana with us. Of course their help is invaluable, but equally important, is facilitating someone's gift of compassion toward those who are in need of such a gift. The team sits, visits and prays with our friends, hopefully taking them home in their hearts! Maybe you would like to come and make a new friend.

Love Wayne & Carol



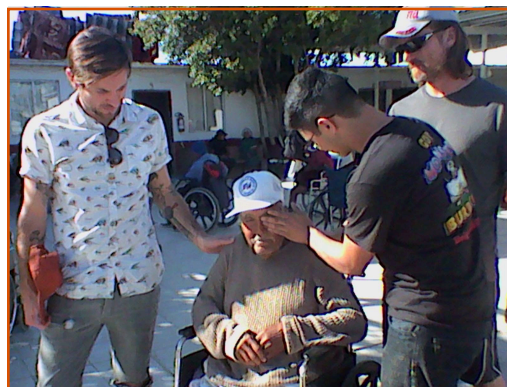
Rosa is left with a smile!

"Visiting the forgotten"

One of the privileges we have, as we collect food every day, is that we get to deliver it to those who are in need of it. Being able to visit with them, is an honor all the more. Along our route, are facilities who care for children, the elderly, the sick, and those needing rehabilitation. Many of these places are far from town, or off the beaten path, and are often forgotten by those who are busy in their day to day lives. Even I find myself, at times, so busy fulfilling the goal of providing nutritional food for residents, that I forget that they love a few moments of my time as well. Once I do take that moment, I am quickly rewarded by the richness of so many lives and stories. We'll share just a few with you here.

One dear lady, upon our arrival to the elderly home, was so very upset because her friend & bed mate Rosa, was in great pain. While my partner, Vicente, prayed for her friend Rosa, I was glad to sit with her and cheer her up a bit with some flowers that had been donated earlier that morning. The real miracle, was the lifting of everyone's spirit, when the Lord came and comforted Rosa. She was a completely different person when we left. Look at that smile in the photo above! What do you think?

Another stop along our way, is another home for the sick and elderly. In this case, all the residents are men. These men are taken good care of by a very special person. Helen's story begins, when she was first asked to consider taking care of these men in her home, not long after being widowed. The men had been displaced by a fire at their former residential home. The director of that home, asked if Helen would consider taking a few men for just 3 days. At first she replied that she didn't think she could. But as Helen tells the story, she hung up the phone - walked a few steps and went back to the phone and called the director, agreeing to take 15 men. Now, 5 years later, she still has those 15, plus 15 more! Her own story continued with having faced breast cancer, and given a negative prognosis. But Helen believed that her desire to care for these men gave her a will to live. She says God put that desire in her heart, and He has brought her through her circumstances to being the strong woman she is today. She is a survivor. We are all the greater for knowing her!



The team prays for this mans suffering eyes.