

# Mexico Mission Update

On the latest trip to Kid's Kingdom orphanage in Imuris and Benjamin Hill, the Missoula mission team tackled a number of projects. We painted the exterior of the boy's dorm in Imuris, and gave a fresh coat of paint to the interior of the church in Benjamin Hill.



The ladies spent several afternoons sewing up over 40 masks that Kaye Robinson had cut out and brought down with her for the children and staff. There's nothing like cheap Americano labor when you have a big project to complete.

Deaconess Reeves held a ladies Bible study on Tuesday morning. We distributed 12 food baskets in Imuris and 12 food baskets in Benjamin Hill thanks to a grant from the Thrivent Congregational Fund. The food baskets contained a couple of weeks' worth of staples: flour, rice, beans, vegetables, oil, etc. as well as a Spanish Bible that includes Luther's Small Catechism.



Wayne Thiele made some gorgeous wooden crosses to commemorate the completion of catechism studies for the 4 students. Unfortunately, 3 of the 4 were out of town when we presented them on Sunday, so we enlisted a couple of the teenagers to be their "stand-ins". We also took the kids and staff out for ice cream after dinner the last night we were in Imuris. It was a tasty treat for all!

The donut business continues to prosper. God has richly blessed our labors. As of October 15<sup>th</sup> they are producing approximately 6,000 donuts a month. We are over half way to our goal of 10,000 donuts a month! I also can't help but show off the new kitchen in Benjamin Hill. BTW the donuts taste fantastic, they are tender, fluffy--in short, delicioso.



The outreach and ministry to the community in Benjamin Hill continues to grow. With the start of the school year, we are now holding Kid's Club on Saturday mornings and average approximately 65 kids and 8-10 moms for that event. The Sunday services are averaging about 50 people each week. There are 20 children enrolled in the parochial school for the fall term. We are still waiting for the state to finish reviewing our application for certification of the orphanage in Benjamin Hill so we can begin to officially accept kids placed by the state. We have been "unofficially" caring for children over the past few years (with the knowledge of the state) but are limited on the number of children that can be living at the orphanage at any one time.



In His Service,  
Pastor Mark, Pastor Marty, Deaconess Reeves and our mission teams and partners