



iHola Todos!

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¿Cómo están? This past month has been full of trips and new beginnings!

## FAMILY TIME

At the beginning of this past month, I had the opportunity to see both my real family and my YWAM family! My parents and brother flew down to Puerto Vallarta to celebrate my mom's and my brother's birthdays and I met them there! It was so nice to get to see my family again and just relax a bit on the beach and catch up on their lives. I love my family sooo much so it was just a perfect time with them!! Then I took a bus up to Mazatlán to help out the base during Carnaval. It was so good as well to see my YWAM family and get to help out. This was my 5th Carnaval and it was kind of nice not being staff on the base and just really getting to serve where I saw need. This year, we did things a bit different. The only ministries we put on were the café, our different street evangelism teams, and intercession. I joined the café team and it was amazing to see how God answered our prayers and brought the right people to us. On the first night, a couple of our prayers were for God to bring us back to people we'd ministered to in the past and for God to put influential people onto our paths. The first night is always a bit slow, so we sent all of our teams into Carnaval to evangelize instead of setting up the café and like 10 minutes into our time there, this girl walks past me and waves like she knows me and then stands like 15 feet away staring at me. At the

time, she didn't look familiar to me but I just had this feeling I must have met her before and should go up and talk to her, so I did. It turns out that I had talked to her 2 or 3 years ago during Carnaval and she'd accepted Christ at that time, but the last year for her had been really hard and she'd begun to step away from God, but as soon as she saw me she knew that God was calling her back to Him. She spent the next 3 nights with me at the café and I really got to listen to her, encourage her, and pray for her--it was a total answer to our prayer. Then, the next night, I sat down with this older man and woman who were collecting plastic to sell to the recycling company. It turns out that they were siblings and the woman works in the city government and was just helping out her brother that night. They hadn't wanted to get so close to Carnaval but they followed the plastic and the woman had a strange craving for coffee so when they saw the café they stopped. I got to share with them and I told the woman about our prayer. She told me, "I think I'm one of those key people." It was crazy to see how God not only answered our prayer but He revealed to that lady that she was the answer! Besides the great time I had during our Carnaval ministry, it was also really good for me to get to catch up with some of my really good friends on the base and just be in YWAM again. I do really miss YWAM and all the friendships I made in Mazatlán, so I'm so glad that God gave me the opportunity to go there, even for just a few days!

## MY YOUTH IN IZCALLI

Since coming back, I've really been able to pour into the youth at my church and get them involved in some new things. Many of the couples that have been working with the youth for the past few years are unable to be very involved this year, so I can see in a whole new way why God has brought me here now. Just last weekend, I brought some of the youth from my church downtown for a day to help out a YWAM team there from Norway. I think it was a really encouraging experience for them to go somewhere new and see how other people and teams do evangelism. Afterward, many



of them were very excited about what they'd seen God do and told me they want to get involved with more projects and events like that. For me, it was encouraging to see my youth step up and get excited about what they were doing and want more of that. That really is my heart and desire for my youth here.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- to get all of the details figured out and in place for Invasión, an event we're planning to be a part of during Spring Break this month.
- for my visa--they have changed the visa process this year so I have to apply for a different type of visa and am having some difficulties figuring it all out.

Thank you all for all your love and support. Please let me know how you are doing and what is going on in your lives.

Dios les bendiga, Rcv'd March \$\_\_\_\_\_  
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