

Hey everyone!

December 4, 2007

I can't believe that it's already December! Time just flies around here. I've been keeping myself busy with all my responsibilities, plus going home for a week over the Thanksgiving holiday!

Discipleship Training School (DTS): This month we have really started pushing in for this school and the students that are going to come. We've been calling all the students that we've already accepted and doing a lot of promotional things to get more students. A few weekends



Trip to Culiacan

ago, I went to Culiacan, a city a couple hours north of Mazatlan, with some other staff members to speak at a few churches and get the word out about our DTS. We arrived on a Friday night and right away went to a church where I was asked to preach--my first time ever! Then we showed a cool promotional video and shared about YWAM and what a DTS is. Then, unexpectedly, the pastor got up and challenged his congregation, asking if anyone felt a calling to do our DTS; immediately a young man, Luis, came up and we encouraged and prayed for him. However, the pastor didn't leave it at that; he then

asked how many people from his congregation would support this man, both financially and in prayer, and about 25 people raised their hands! I have never seen something like this in Mexico before--a church with such an open heart towards missions and a willingness to respond to God's calling. Throughout our weekend in Culiacan, God opened up a lot more doors for us to share with people about our school and there are several people who are very interested in coming--praise God!! It is so amazing to see how God is working things together to bring the students He wants to us in His perfect timing!



Snow at last!

Home: I was blessed this month with the opportunity to go home to Minnesota for a week over Thanksgiving. It was so great to see my family and friends after so long, even though it was such a short time. I really miss you all a lot! I had an amazing Thanksgiving with my family and several families from my church with some INCREDIBLE food. I hope you all had a fantastic holiday as well. If I didn't get to see or talk with you, I am sorry; one week is just such a short time. I really did get in a lot of quality time with my family though and that was really nice. I had a wonderful, relaxing time and got to catch up with several of you and that really touched me.

Prayer Requests:

- that everything would come together for our Jan. DTS
- for more students to apply- our goal is 33 with 10 being Mexican
- for time to relax and a great Christmas

Thank you all so much for everything! I love and miss you all!

Dios los bendiga,
Cassandra



Friends at church



S'mores cooked over the stove