



¡Hola Todos!

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**T**his past month has been absolutely amazing down here in Mazatlán! God is definitely starting a new work in the city and even the nation. He is rising up young men and women who will love Him with their whole hearts and fight for His kingdom to advance. There are some incredible things in store for the Mexican people and God is just beginning to prepare the way!

**SEMANA SANTA:** Semana Santa is the Mexican version of our Spring Break, but the whole country has the same week off. During this time, the beaches our packed full of people, stages with constant concerts are set up throughout the city, and at night the streets are closed off for constant drinking, dancing, and partying. Usually in this time pastors either send their youth away or encourage them to stay at home to protect them. However, this year we reached out to the local Christian youth and put on a mini missions-to-your-city camp. We invited pastors to send their youth to us so we could teach

them in classes and lead them in evangelism. The week was one of the most amazing weeks EVER!!!! God really reminded me of my passion for and calling to the youth of this nation. It was so awesome to get to hang out with the 21 young people who came, loving on, discipling, challenging, praying for and having fun with them. I loved seeing the youth in my group experience God on a deeper level, hear God more clearly than ever before, step up and lead worship, and go out on the streets at night and evangelize for the first time! I remember one of the girls in my group was absolutely terrified to evangelize before we left, so I prayed for and encouraged her, and after she got up the courage to talk to the first person, she was like on fire and didn't want to stop at the end of the night. I still can't believe how transformed the youth were by the time the week was up.

**SWINE FLU:** I'm sure that most of you have heard about the whole swine flu thing going on in Mexico,

but I want to assure you that I'm fine and it's not as big of a deal as the news makes it out to be. We haven't had any confirmed cases of the swine flu in this state or the surrounding states. It is mostly just in Mexico City and hasn't affected us much at all. The government has been taking some precautions and closed all the schools in the country for 2 weeks, our movie theaters have closed down, and all businesses are requiring their workers to wear masks. As a base, we have been praying a lot into this issue and have felt like God is just asking us to pray for this nation and its people, to pray for the church to rise up and fight for their country, to pray against fear and

panic, and to pray that this thing would pass and that God would use it for His good and glory.



**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- for all that I just said about the swine flu
- for the youth of this city and nation to rise up and seek God's kingdom above all else
- that many of the young people that came to the base for Semana Santa would get the missions bug and come back to do our internships (Verano de Fuego) and DTS's.

I guess that's about all of the big news for this month. I really do love to hear from you all, so please drop me a note and let me know how you're doing!

Dios les bendiga,  
Cassandra

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