



Funny faces at graduation



Teaching at the school in Giron



Last day working with the church in Giron



Savannah and I at Cajás



January DTS 2013 Graduation

July 5, 2013

Hola Todos! Cómo están?

CUENCA

So last time I wrote, we were in Cuenca, Ecuador and I only had a couple weeks left of outreach. The end of our outreach was the best part of all!! We continued to work with our contact in Cuenca teaching about the Holy Spirit at youth group, doing evangelism in different parts of the city, and doing whatever else we could to bless the church. Then, one morning we got invited to go do a program at a drug and alcohol rehab center. We didn't really know how much time we had or how open they were to the gospel, but we did a drama and one of my students shared the truth about who Jesus is, and to our surprise, when he asked if anyone wanted to pray and accept Jesus, they ALL raised their hands!!! There were about 12 of them and we got to individually pray with and for each of them! Afterward they asked questions and showed a real hunger for God. We came back a couple days later and I was able to lead them in a Bible study on John 15! It was so amazing to see them grow and hear their hearts to want to change!

GIRON

We then moved out of the city into a little "pueblo" for the last 5 days of outreach. We were super blessed by the church there and had very fruitful evangelism times. We got to speak about sexual purity at the local middle/high school and even got to talk to and pray with a few of the kids afterward. I ended up talking to a girl and invited her to our youth group meeting that night. She came and rededicated her life to Christ and said she was going to start going to church again! Overall, we had an amazing outreach!!! I loved it!!!

DEBRIEF AND GRADUATION

Then we came back to Mexico and ate tacos! We spent the last 10 days or so of DTS debriefing our time - talking about what we had learned, what our next plans were, praying for each other, and having a lot of fun!! When we finally got to graduation, I was overwhelmed with pride and love for each and every one of my students. This group touched my life in a very deep way and I miss them already. It really is amazing to see the way that God uses this season of their lives to change and transform and free them. I am blessed to be a part of that!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- * for all 12 of my students that just graduated, that their transition back home would go smoothly and that they'd be able to continue to live out the transformation and freedom that they received in these last 6 months
- * for my transition from one DTS to the next - on July 1st, I started another DTS after having only a few days off. I wasn't a part of the planning process for this one, so it's been a bit more challenging for me to get into it 100% but I want to give my all to these new students as well

Thank you all so much for everything! I'm coming home for 2 weeks next month, so maybe I'll see some of you soon!

Bendiciones,

Cassandra

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