

# JEM Ministries Newsletter October 2012

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Established in 1996, JEM Ministries

organization located in El Paso, TX,

Our mission is to provide **relief** for

basic needs: food, clothing, shelter,

relationships with and among each

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individual that we serve; and to

is a 501(c)(3) non-profit

Mexico.

serving the Tierra Nueva II

health, education; to build

bring restoration to the

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community.

community in Ciudad Juarez,

## In the last 6 months, we...

#### Apr 2012

Began "Cinema JEM"- our monthly community movie showing

Welcomed volunteers from Rotor-Act of UTEP who helped us organize clothing donations

Held Children's Day Celebration with volunteers from US Consulate in Ciudad Juarez

### May 2012

### Visited University United Methodist Church in Las Cruces, NM and accepted their generous donation Delivered a presentation at Paso del Norte Elementary School in El Paso, TX

### June 2011

Completed ourlast payment of 2011-2012 Scholarships

Received volunteers from Michigan who helped with construction of the orphanage and kitchen

### July 2012

Celebrated 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of JEM Ministry in Juarez with community residents

### Sep 2012

Celebrated Mexican Independence Day with community residents

Took applications for 2012-2013 Scholarships

#### Overall

Transported most of donation in storage from El Paso to Juarez

## From the Ruiz Family

My deartriends,

Six months passed by quickly. We had a blessed time. During the summer, we moved a garage full of donations across the border, day by day. We continued construction projects and held a community fair to celebrate the ministries' 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Thankfully, amid our busy schedule, we also had a chance to travel to Nebraska and Colorado. We pray that the Lord also blessed you abundantly.

Yours Truly,

María Ruíz

## Thank you for your Generosity!

Thanks to our generous donors for their continuous support, we have an abundance of clothes, shoes, household items, etc. We kindly request donation only in the following areas:

- Non-perishable / perishable food (not expired)
- Monetary
- New School Supplies
- New Toys
- Construction Material and Equipment

## – In the Community –

## Pan De Vida



We currently serve breakfast to around 350 residents every Saturday morning. Most of the participants are families with children and the elderly. We also offer food baskets, clothing, hygiene products, blankets, etc., at this time for those who have these needs at home.

## Cinema JEM

Starting in April this year, we converted our community dining hall into a movie theater once a month. We serve free popcorn and welcome those who normally do not have the means to enjoy entertainment. So far we have shown: "Passion of the Christ"," Courageous", "Fireproof", "Dolphin Tale", "Poema de Salvacion", and "Soul Surfer." We welcome your suggestions for future showing!



### Becas



There is nothing more exciting than seeing children going toschool and learning more each day through your financial contribution. By faith, we again accepted 40 applications this year for a monthly stipend on education related expense. We hope you will join us.

## We Need Your Support:

#### Monetary (for)

Fresh food for breakfasts Construction Materials Scholarships

Goods

Non-perishable food Toys School Supplies

#### **Construction Material**

Commercial Tiles Glue for Commercial Tile Drywall Screws Drills

o –

Copper Tubing

Electrical Wire

### Furniture / Equipment

Tables and Chairs Commercial Refrigerators & Freezers

Buffet Warmer Table

Large Double Sinks for Bathroom

Toilets and Stalls

Personal Computers

Air Conditioners

**Ceiling Fans** 

Commercial size kitchenware and utensils

### Services

Licensed Heating and Cooling Technician Licensed Electrician Website Maintenance Attorney licensed in Mexico

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## Video Highlights



## 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

On July 21<sup>st</sup>, we celebrated JEM Ministries' 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the help of volunteers and the participation of the community in Juarez.

Watch the highlights of this event on Youtube and see what you missed!

### Thank You UUMC!

We distributed the donations from the UUMC congregation to the children in Juarez, and they have something to say... <u>Watch Video</u>



## $\sim$ Building on the Rock

Little by little, rain or shine, we continue to build our community center with the help of volunteers from across the US. We are happy to report that one major step so far this year is the near completion of dining hall. With the floor fully tiled and some structure reinforcement coming to an end, we are able to use this space not only for Pan de Vida and Cinema JEM, but also for events when the weather prevents outdoor activities. Other projects this year include:

- Put up sheetrock, insulation, and texture of the walls in the orphanage.
- Installed AC and baseboards in the Multipurpose Room.
- Repainted and tiled bathrooms
- Installed new sink, toilet, door, and baseboards in grounds keeper's room.
- Poured concrete for fence and built gate rail for main door.

Contact us if you would like to organize a volunteer team to help us in construction. Also please prayerfully consider giving toward the equipment we need (as listed on the left) to fully furnish the community kitchen and dining hall area.

## How you can help Toy Drive

Our annual Christmas Toy Drive is fast approaching and right around the corner. Donate a new, \$5 to \$10 dollar toy right now so many children may receive their only gift of the year. You may drop off donation at 813 Los Lagos Way, El Paso, TX. Monetary donation designated for "Toy Drive" is always welcomed.

### Computer Class on the Way

We will start offering computer classes to the community in a few weeks. We need more personal computers so each participant can acquire hands-on experience. Please contact us if you have used but still functional personal computers or equipment to donate.

### Become a JEM Ambassador

Wondering how you can share with others about JEM Ministries?

- Like us on Facebook so your friends will see us. It's that easy!
- Display our information card or host a fundraiser / information session at your office, business, home, or church. Please contact us for details.
- Show your support by purchasing our merchandise. Whe ther you go shopping in our T-shirts or use our mug for coffee at work, you can share JEM Ministries with others. <u>Buy</u> now by clicking "Donation" Tab on our Facebook page.



...Freely you have received, freely give. Matthew 8:10

**Relationship** 

**Restoration**