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"Understanding is a wellspring of life to him who has it..."

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Wellspring Mexico

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John and I teach students at "Fire From Heaven Bible Institute" and they are required to read Biblical Foundations of Freedom and How To Minister To Others, by Dr. Art Mathias. Once repentance and forgiveness has become part of ones' life, rather than just information, it can not help but impact all areas of their lives. Many of these students have gone on to attend Wellspring School of Ministry here in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Our area of concentration for 2015 and where we are seeing the most fruit has been the prisons. The Wellspring Mexico team has doubled its efforts as more people have been trained through seminars, the Bible school and the School of Ministry in Mexico. They are then requested to accompany other trained leaders in teaching Biblical Foundations of Freedom in Puente Grande. This is one of the largest federal prisons in Mexico and located about

"And they overcame *and* conquered him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their **testimony**, for they did not love their life *and* renounce their faith even when faced with death."

Revelation 12:11

45 minutes outside of Guadalajara. We have had nine study groups going on consecutively among the women while Hugh Fannin led classes with the men. This has produced trained prisoner prayer ministers who are able to teach the biblical principles to their cell mates, which I understand is around sixteen.

Hugh has also been able to minister one-on-one at Puente Grande since being certified in Alaska in Nov. 2009. Recently he visited the local prison of Chapala which is a holding center until conviction and just happens to be in sight right behind our house. He and I talked to the authorities and have been given permission to teach Biblical Foundations of Freedom classes beginning the first of Feb. 2016. There are 8 women and 172 men in that facility. I gave each of the ladies a copy of the book as part of our Christmas gifts to them so they can be reading in preparation for the classes. We are thrilled with this newly opened door.

One lady prisoner named Veronica (Vero for short) who by the way has read Biblical Foundations of Freedom from cover to cover 10 times, also taught a group of ten married couples. She is teaching them on Mondays which is their day of the week to be together as a couple. She recently was relocated to another prison in Ciudad Guzman, a city about 2-3 hrs out from Guadalajara and has requested 30 books for her upcoming classes there.

The prison ministry provides opportunities for more of our trained prayer ministers to share what they have received. That serves to only deepen their understanding of these basic truths which results in even more changes in their personal lives and families. I wish you all could hear the testimonies. Your impact is so far-reaching. You will need an eternity to hear just how your lives and ministry has changed the world.



In local seminars and classes in the bible school, I use powerpoint slides and a projector but those pieces of equipment are prohibited within the prisons. The method that has worked best has been printing the slide presentations and making a type of flip-chart-manual. This allows the teachers to have the visuals in their lap as they teach and it is easily seen by their group of maybe twenty prisoners.

Wellspring Ministries of Cuba



Jose' and Leonor are pastors in Cuba and have been covering the island with Wellspring teachings. They are establishing a Wellspring Ministry base on several acres that has been purchased with financial help from Janet Kelley, a certified prayer minister

from Monroeville, Alabama (and my sister) as well as Wellspring Mexico. They possibly could be considered our best investment of time outside of Mexico. Jan Hicks and I taught seminars there in 2010 and since even staff members from Alaska have come and ministered here.

The base will provide housing for around 70 participants as they receive training and ministry. In the meantime, they travel nationally holding seminars for leaders and pastors of various denominations. Presently we are attempting to obtain a US visa for them and fly them to the states for a brief visit. That would open the door of uninhibited travel to other Latin American countries for the purpose to teaching Wellspring. As in most Christian endeavors, finances prevent us from advancing more rapidly but usually that helps keep us on God's time table as well. We are also hoping to bring Leonor once again to our Mexican School of Ministry in August but this time as an invited teacher rather than a participant.

NEW YOUNG GIRLS HOME IN ALABAMA

Janet Kelley is involved in establishing a ministry and home for young girls rescued out of sex slavery and trafficking in the US. The groundbreaking for the facilities should begin after the New Year. Once the home is ready to receive girls, she will serve as the director. The Wellspring teachings and ministry method using the four part prayer will be the principle instrument to initiate healing for the girls. In the meantime, I have been invited to teach classes and begin training all workers and volunteers for the girls' home. This will be done during the month of January while I help with my invalid father's care and John itinerates in Georgia.

Many blessings,
Judy and John Whitener
Guadalajara, Mexico



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