

# Los Vecinos

April 2010

## Greetings friends!

On the occasion of ordaining a new deacon in our church, our pastor recently preached on Acts 6:1-7. In this passage, focused on the New Testament church, we see men called to do the work of serving those with physical needs in their community in order that the apostles might devote themselves to prayer and teaching. As a result, we read in Acts 6:7, *“And the word of God kept on spreading; and the number of the disciples continued to increase greatly in Jerusalem...”*

This passage is a great encouragement to us, as it models exactly our hope for ministry along the US/Mexico border. Our call is to come alongside the pastor and teachers, and in support of that work, labor to meet the physical needs of the people and see God’s church grow.

## News from home:

Our house will go on the market this month. As the children finish the school year & participate in spring activities and athletics, we also continue to prepare to transition to full-time training in the summer months.

Praise that God has raised up an administrator for the Harvest ESL ministry to be Kristy’s replacement at the end of the spring semester.

We will travel to Maryland to attend the missions conference at Chapelgate PCA in mid-April. We are excited for the opportunity to partner with Chapelgate, and also pray for God to raise up more churches and families to support border ministry during this trip.

## News from the border:

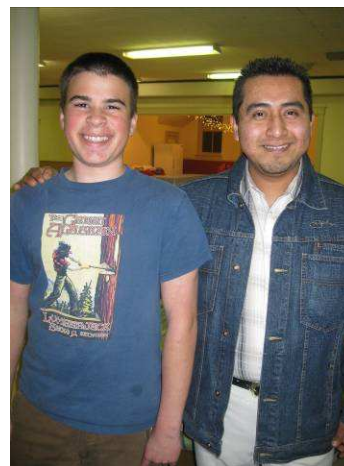
Dan and Becky Young have been in the McAllen, TX area since they left El Paso four months ago. Dan continues to develop a strategic vision for our work in the eastern region of the border. On April 20th, he will meet with several Mexican border pastors. The relationships developed in this meeting will be vital to kingdom growth along the border for many years to come. He will also be leading several short term missions teams in the Laredo, TX area at Iglesia La Vid throughout the summer.

## Praise and prayer requests:

- Praise God for His faithfulness to our family.
- Pray for God to provide partners for the last \$2000 of our monthly needs, especially for individuals and families to provide on going monthly financial support at \$25, \$50, & \$100 per month.
- Pray for God to raise up a buyer for our house.
- Pray for safety as we travel to Maryland from April 14-21.
- Pray for the border region. Border cities continue to experience violence and extreme unrest due to drug activity. Pray for peace!
- Pray that those in ministry along the border would be a beacon of light in a world of darkness. Pray for their safety and courage.



*Kristy helps with the piñata at the annual Harvest ESL International Dinner*



*James with a long-time friend at the dinner.*

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