

S.A.E.M.'S FLEX CHALLENGE 2013

You can meet all sorts of individuals when you visit a church that feeds the homeless twice a week. I try to go there as much as possible. Most of them have traveled hundreds and even thousands of miles to get to where they are now...across from the U.S. border. They have traveled for months and they come from the Southern parts of Mexico and from Central and South America. Soon, they find out that their life's dream to enter the United States of America has come to an abrupt end. Each one of them has a heart-ripping story. These are the hopeless of the hopeless.

It was while I was ministering to these, that I met a very special woman. She appears to be in her 60's and comes here because she has no money for food. She walks about half a mile to hear God's word, get a couple of plates of food, and some warm coffee. She is a very sincere Christian. Every time I come here, I bring tracts to hand out. The first day we met, she waited to be the last one to leave. She approached me with a question... Would I give her more tracts? She explained to me that she is the only Christian in her home. Her family ridicules her because of her faith, but she stated "the only joy of my life is to walk the streets and witness to people about the love of Jesus and leave a tract with them." ***She has no other gift***, but this one, she said. I gave her the remaining tracts I had and she held them tight as she hugged them. With tears in her eyes she thanked and blessed me. Now every time I come to this ministry I bring extra tracts Just for her.

It is hard for Americans to understand the value of a tract in Spanish speaking poor nations. A tract is not just a piece of paper; **it is a gift**. Most people don't have Bibles and a tract brings the message of love and a life-changing experience. **People cherish this small gift**. Give one to a hospital patient and they read it over and over. Give it to a prisoner and they swap it back and forth amongst themselves. Give it to a mom and it becomes a teaching tool for her kids. Give it to the lost and it becomes the passage to eternal life. Pastors and lay people are always begging me for more tracts. No, it's not just a piece of paper, **it is a powerful tool; it is a life-changing message**. I've met people who live right in the city dump. Give them a tract and you've given them **a precious gift**.



Today, we at S.A.E.M. are making a plea to you, to help us move into our 50th year; bigger and better than ever before. We need funds to purchase ink, paper, equipment, postage and all those things that go into putting a tract into the hands of the "hopeless" and the lost. **We print and ship tracts to all Spanish speaking Nations. And we want to continue doing that.** We make this request for our **FLEX** fund once a year and we need everyone to help.

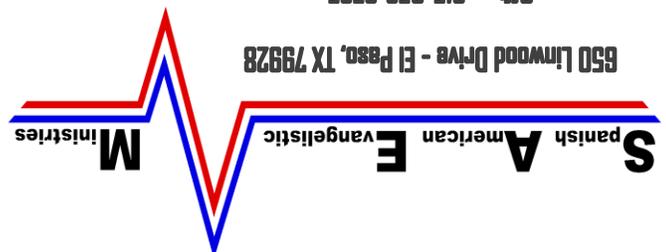
By the way, the lunchroom that I mentioned earlier is located in the City of Juarez, Chihuahua - Mexico. This City received the not-so-distinct honor of being called the Most Dangerous City on Earth a couple of years ago.

S.A.E.M. is located just a few miles North of Juarez. So there is a vast need for tracts just a few miles from us. Help us reach Juarez and the rest of the Spanish speaking world with the message of hope and love.

One gift at a time... One tract at a time.



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