

AVODAH appenings

AVODAH Bimonthly Newsletter

MEXICAN CIVIL ASSOCIATION

In early October, we signed the documentation for the creation of the legal entity, AVDH Mexico, which is similar to a US non-profit organization. The next step is for the documentation to be registered in Mexico. Once this is done, we will be able to accept donations from Mexican citizens, companies and government. Prayers for the expediting of this process are appreciated! :)



Catherine, Curtis and Yoalli waiting to sign the documents for the creation of the Mexican Civil Association, AVDH Mexico.

ENGLISH CLASS HAPPENINGS

English classes are now well underway for the school year. We have three groups of students that each come to class twice a week. Curtis is teaching the new class of 4th-6th graders and I am teaching the returning 5-7th grade students. I think the students have become more comfortable with us because they are starting to get a little rambunctious! Every day we pray that the students arrive well-rested and ready to learn. We are still having a lot of fun and God is growing us in both patience and compassion.

We are delighted to have one of volunteers, Vicki, back in the classroom helping out with the 5th and 6th graders. It is a blessing to have another set of eyes/ears/hands in the classroom. We are also so blessed to have Ived, one of the students mom, helping out with Curtis's class. She is a big help to us and is also learning English at the same

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English Class Happenings

School of Kingdom Ministry Updates



We celebrated Thanksgiving in El Tuito this year with our friends from Illinois, George and Sylvia. As soon as Butterball turkeys appeared at Sam's Club, we were quick to grab one! It was a beautiful day in the low 80s, but we still enjoyed turkey, gravy and sweet potatoes!

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time. We rely on her to help students understand instructions and to help answer any questions that they may have.

We are excited to be kicking off our first penpal program! We are partnering with a sixth grade class at Valley Christian School in Tempe, AZ (the school where Curtis's cousins wife teaches) to have the students write and exchange letters each month. Our classes loved creating beautiful letters for friends-to-be in another country. Some of the students

went above and beyond to figure out the English words to write more than what they were required to write. They took great care and joy in decorating the letters and making envelopes. We will be mailing the letters to Arizona the first week in



students is now in the third and final module, and will be graduating after the eight-week module finishes just before Christmas. It's amazing to see how the group has grown spiritually over the past year and how we are all hearing from God and stepping into what He is doing on a daily basis! We are so blessed that God is using SOKM to progress His Kingdom in Puerto Vallarta. We (and facilitators Don and Michelle) will be welcoming back our second class of students into Module 2 starting in February. They are excited to be getting back to the program. Last weekend we held an interest meeting for a new group of SoKM students and were blessed with record attendance. Curtis and I will be facilitating our next Module 1 class in January.



Ived and Curtis step in to get the class back on track!

December, and hope to be bringing back a batch of letters to our students in January. We will be sharing short videos of the students where they will be introducing themselves and saying hello to their penpals.

SCHOOL OF KINGDOM MINISTRY (SOKM) UPDATES

In November we returned to facilitating School of Kingdom Ministry classes. Our first group of

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Prospective SoKM students doing an activation exercise



Don and Michelle sharing during the "object prophecy" activation

We are so excited to get to know a new group and can't wait to see what the Holy Spirit has for us!

We are coming upon Giving Tuesday, which is an annual global day of generosity that occurs the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. We at AVODAH are so thankful for your support. We are heading into a time of increased operating expenses as we will be bringing on another class in January, an English class for high school students. We have been praying for monthly partners to help defray the additional costs from the additional class. If you feel led, we would love to welcome more monthly partners, but we are also blessed by donations of any frequency and amount. God has been so good in providing for this ministry. Feel free to reach out, either on our website or by email: contact@globalavodah.com. God bless!

Curtis & Catherine

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If you would like to donate to AVODAH, we are currently fundraising for the expansion of the El Tuito afterschool program. Our goal is to raise funds for additional classes, including more English classes and computer classes. There are various methods to donate on our website and all donations are tax-deductible:

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The Hebrew word "avodah (ah-vod-ah)" is translated in English as both work & worship. A more accurate English translation when referring to work is service. God receives Work as Worship done unto Him. Put simply – Work is worship. The similarity between the two clarifies that in God's eyes our work is worship in that it is not done for our own benefit, but rather as an offering to Him.