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Library Bus visits + Bible Translation Seminar - Spring '25 Update

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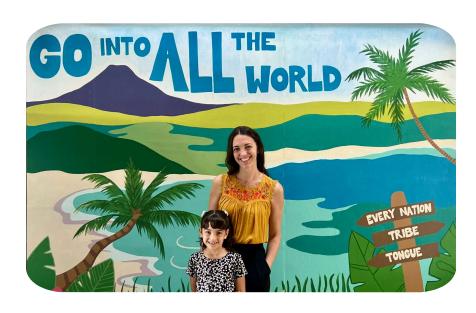
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Susie Walter & Sophia Joy (age 8)

YWAM San Diego/Baja, Tijuana MEXICO

Sharing God's love through education and community development in Mexico and the nations

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us" -Hebrews 12:1

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS!

Earlier this month, I had a terrible case of <u>pnemonia</u> and even lost my voice! While I am still recovering back to full strength, I'm so thankful for those who prayed for me from afar and also to those here who helped out with Sophia's school pick ups/drop offs and playdates while I was so unwell. I could feel God's healing hand on me each day as my cough disappeared, I could breathe deeper, and my energy returned.

The "Biblioteca Andante" Library bus sharing the love of God through reading all around our city!





This quarter has been full of visits for the library bus. We have been visiting several schools, collaborating with the Homes of Hope team to do follow up in a community, and also participated in a city wide family event in Playas. Each day of ministry, the people we reach are different and the opportunities are unique so we always seek the Lord for guidance how we can best serve in the place where we've been invited.

For example, at two preschools, we invited members of the PTA to participate with us when we visited their children's classrooms. This offers them a chance to learn about the importance of reading to their children and see how to make it fun for their little ones. We also model how to treat the kids with the love, respect and patience they deserve as God's children.

Another highlight with the library bus this spring was participating in a city-wide family event where the streets were blocked off, kids could bike freely and families could enjoy different activities together in a safe environment. During this giant "block party," over 200 people visited the library bus and we also got to share with city officials and community leaders about our desire to support educational initiatives in Tijuana along with our greater vision to see our city reached for Christ.



WE WERE IN THE NEWS! <u>Click here</u> to read a local news article (in Spanish) about our participation in a city-wide family event.

I can see how God is giving us favor with government officials and community leaders to see more open doors for us to reach our city for him.

Thanks to my YWAM base and the invitation from YWAM Mazatlan, we are participating this week in an OMT (Oral Mother Tongue) Bible Translation seminar. Full of faith believing in the power of the word of God, Sophia and I traveled to Mazatlan, Mexico to learn about how YWAM is working to see the Bible translated orally into indigenous languages. My role is also to help prepare the translators to return to their village through teaching principles of Community Development. We are working with 2 Oaxacan families that speak Mixteco de Atatlahuca to translate the book of Jonah, which will be the first book of the Bible translated orally into their native tongue.



My Community Development class at YWAM Mazatlan, including the indigenous Bible translators, OMT (oral mother tongue) staff team, and YWAM leaders of local ministries. Below shows the work of Bible translation in action, which Sophia was also involved in! More updates about this new project to come.





Oral Bible translation into native mother tongues leaves a spiritual heritage, a cultural legacy and a generational blessing.



Prayer Requests for the Oral Bible Translation seminar

That the translators can finish their translation of the book of Jonah, that the editing and corrections can be completed quickly so they can bring the fruit of their labor - a complete book translated orally into their mother tongue - back to their church and village, and that would be an encouragement to continue with the translation at home.

that God brings clarity to each participant in the seminar, both staff and translator, what are the next steps they should take at the end of the seminar.

That the translators understand their role in the transformation of their community during my teaching this week and that they can experience the personal development they need to see the fruit that remains in Oaxaca.

that God brings a clear strategy on how to collaborate with the OMT movement at my YWAM base in San Diego/Baja

<u>Important dates:</u>

July 27-August 1: Sophia and I will be attending a "family debrief retreat" hosted by

YWAM North America at the YWAM base in Chico,CA. The purpose is to spend time processing the many changes we have experienced in the last few years with my divorce and get closure to help us move into God's purposes for us in the next season. My hope is grow closer in my relationship with God, set a firm foundation in Him for our family, and to get tools to help Sophia and I maintain our connection in the face of challenges in the future.

*We are in need of \$350 to cover the retreat fee and \$200 to cover our flights.

Click on the "Donate" link below if you would like to help sponsor us at this retreat.



We are so grateful for our partners who join with us in prayer and financial giving.

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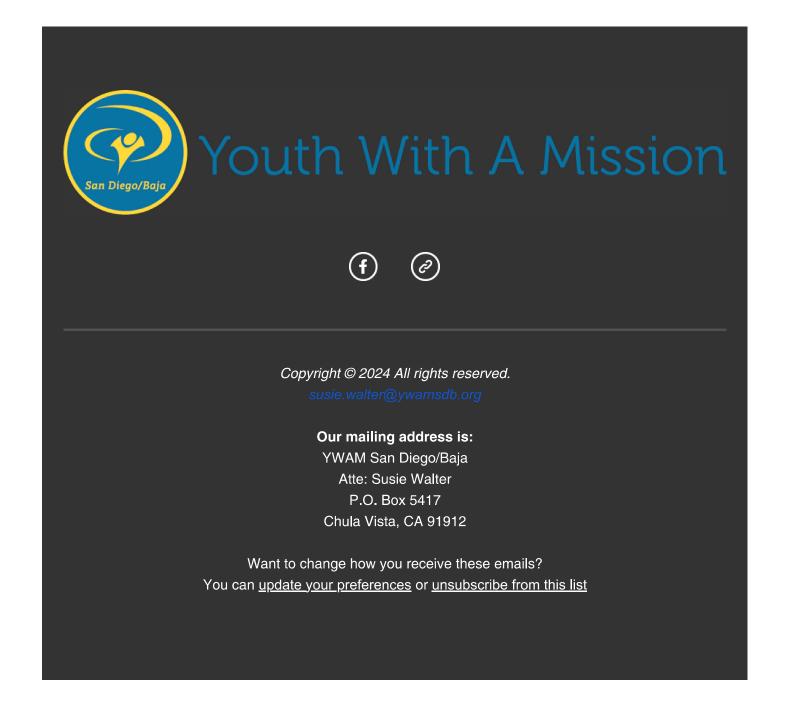
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Would you consider becoming a monthly donor so that Sophia and I can continue to live out our family calling to be the missionaries in the nations? If you would like to set up a monthly donation online, you an easily click on the link below and check the box "Make My Donation Monthly Recurring"

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