

BORDERLESS



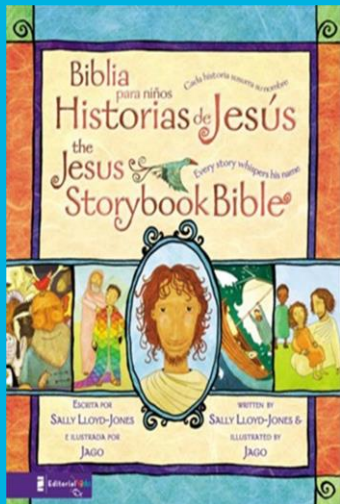
Partners in Mission

Following three years of only being able to partner with our friends in Mexico, the Borderless Mexico Mission Trip was thrilled to resume doing in person trips and are looking forward to growing our teams that will be serving in 2024. Our hope is that the kids and adults who are hearing about Jesus, will believe that Jesus is the Good Shepherd who has laid down His life to save them.



Date	Title	Bible Verses	Memory Verse	Focus
Sunday Teams do VBS at site A and site B for half of each day.	VBS THEME Heroes of the Bible: Pointing to One Thing...Jesus			
Monday Day 1 VBS	Protection Daniel in the Lions Den	Daniel 6:6-27	Joshua 1:9	Like God was with Daniel, God is with you always, to protect you from the evil one.
Tuesday Day 2 VBS	Power David defeats Goliath	1 Samuel 17:32-50	2 Corinthians 2:9	On our own, we are not powerful. Through Jesus, his power is made perfect in our weakness.
Wednesday Day 3 VBS	Provision Jesus feeds 5,000	Matthew 15:32-39	John 6:35	Jesus provides all your needs, even when it seems impossible. Trust him.
Thursday Day 4 VBS	Promise Noah receives God's promise	Genesis 9:8-17	Matthew 28:20	Just as God promised to be with Noah and protect him in the Ark, he promises to be with us and protects us through Jesus.

Day 1 at VBS



Lesson Focus: Protection

Verse of the day: Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”.

Joshua 1:9

Verse of the day in Spanish: Mira que te mando que te esfuerces y seas valiente; no temas ni desmayes, porque Jehová, tu Dios, estará contigo dondequiera que vayas.

Josué 1:9

Intro:

Have you ever been in a situation that was scary?

What made it scary?

Maybe it was the dark, being alone, or something else. Daniel was put in a very scary situation. So scary that he could have died. Instead of being eaten by lions God protected Daniel. Like God was with Daniel, God is with you to protect you always.

God Protects His Children:

Read Daniel 6:6-27

1. How did God protect Daniel?
2. What did Daniel do to trust God?
3. Why wasn't Daniel allowed to pray?
4. How can we let God protect us?

Jesus Storybook Bible: Daniel and the Scary Sleepover p.152-159

1. If we are like Daniel, what might be the Lions that want to kill us?
2. Who protects us from the death of sin?
3. Why is Daniel a Bible Hero?

No matter how scary a situation may seem, God is ALWAYS there. While situations may be hard, through Jesus, the victory has been won. The hard things of this life won't last forever. Jesus' protection over evil will!

Day 2 at VBS

Lesson Focus: Power

Verse of the Day: But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.
2 Corinthians 2:19

Verse of the Day in Spanish: Y me ha dicho: «Bástate mi gracia, porque mi poder se perfecciona en la debilidad.» Por tanto, de buena gana me gloriaré más bien en mis debilidades, para que repose sobre mí el poder de Cristo.
2 Corintios 12:9

Intro:

Have you ever felt overwhelmed or intimidated? Like you can't beat that fear, and just feel powerless?

When have you felt that way?

The Israelites were very intimidated by Goliath and felt powerless. But David drew his power from God, and overcame that fear and intimidation! On our own we can't feel powerful, but with God power is made perfect.

God's Power is Made Perfect in our Weakness

Read 1 Samuel 17:32-50

1. Where did David find his power?
2. What did David use to defeat Goliath?
3. Why were the Israelites afraid to fight Goliath?
4. How does God give us power? – 2 Samuel 17

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant p.122-129

1. What made David an unlikely warrior?
2. Who chose David anyway?
3. If God can show his power through David, can he show it through you?

God's power is made perfect through us, because we are weak. We can't do it ourselves, but God chooses to be powerful through us.





Day 3 at VBS

Lesson Focus: Provision

Verse of the Day: Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

John 6:35

Verse of the Day in Spanish: Jesús les respondió:—Yo soy el pan de vida. El que a mí viene nunca tendrá hambre, y el que en mí cree no tendrá sed jamás.

Juan 6:35

Intro: Who can tell me about a time when you have had a need? How did it get taken care of? Do you think God cares about our needs? How does God provide for you? What is the biggest need we all have? (to be saved from our sins). We’re going to read about a crowd of people who Jesus helped, so they could see how he provides for their biggest need. Salvation.

God’s Provision

Our memory verse today is from John 6:35. This is a time where Jesus provides for someone.

Read John 6:35

1. How does God provide in more than just physical needs?
2. What does it mean that Jesus is the Bread of life?
3. What does it mean that Jesus is the Living Water?

Read Matthew 15:32-39

1. What need did the crowd have?
2. How did Jesus feel toward them?
3. How did Jesus provide for them?

Jesus Storybook Bible: Filled Full p. 244-249

Jesus performed a miracle, by multiplying the loaves of bread and fish, so all the people could eat. He did this to show everyone that if he can provide our physical needs, he can provide our spiritual needs too.

How did he do that? (dying on the cross to save us from our sin)

Day 4 at VBS

Lesson Focus: Promise

Verse of the Day: Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in^a the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20

Verse of the Day in Spanish: Por tanto, id y haced discípulos a todas las naciones, bautizándolos en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo, y enseñándoles que guarden todas las cosas que os he mandado. Y yo estoy con vosotros todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo.»

Mateo 28:19-20

Intro:

Have you ever had a friend who promised something, and then it didn't happen? How did it make you feel? Were you able to work it out? Are you still friends with them? Have you ever made a promise to someone and YOU didn't keep it? How did THAT make you feel?

God's Promise

1. Who can tell me about Noah? (ask the students)

Jesus Storybook Bible: A New Beginning p. 38-47

1. Why did God choose to destroy every living creature on the earth?
2. What did Noah do to obey God? How long did it take?
3. Was it worth spending all that time building a boat?

Read Genesis 9:8-17

1. After Noah and his family left the ark, what did God promise them (or covenant with them)?
2. What sign did God put in the sky to remind us of his covenant?

God was with Noah and promised him that he will protect them through the flood, and not destroy the earth again with another one. God promises us that He will always be with us as we make disciples here on earth. Just as Noah was protected in the Ark, we are protected in Jesus. The rainbow reminds us of all of God's promises.



VBS Crafts

Craft Instructions and supplies list coming soon!

Day 1

Lion Paper Plate

Day 2

Rock Painting

Day 3

Paper Fish

Day 4

T-Shirt Making



Mexico Daily Schedule

Friday 3/22

Evening – Following travel to Mexico, complete moving into tent city and dinner at basecamp

Saturday 3/23

7:30 AM – Breakfast at Mesquital

9 AM – Depart for the market in Algodonez

1 PM – Depart for Ministry sites

(Teams will go to the site that they will worship at on Sunday to prepare for VBS, canvas and to assist with any other needs of their partner church)

6:00 pm - Dinner @ base camp

6:45 pm - Evening Worship and

Orientation

8:30 pm - Small Group Reflections

10:30 pm - In tents and quiet

Sunday 3/24

7:00 am - Breakfast (pick up lunch chest)

7:45 am - Morning Chapel @ base camp

8:45 am - Daily Site Briefing

9:00 am – Leave for Ministry Site A/B

Sunday Continued

10:00 am - Sunday Worship at ministry site

1:00 pm - Lunch at your site

2:00 pm – Prep/Outreach

9:30 pm - Evening Worship @ Base Camp

10:30 pm - In tents and quiet (respecting the neighbors)

Monday - Wednesday 3/25-27

7:00 am - Breakfast

7:45 am - Morning Chapel

8:45 am - Daily Site Prep

9:00 am - Depart to Ministry Site

10:00 am – VBS, Women’s Ministry,

Construction, Lunch

6:00 pm - Dinner @ base camp

7:00 pm - Evening Worship

8:30 pm - Small Group Reflections

10:30 pm - In tents and quiet (respect to the neighbors)

Thursday 3/28

7:00 am - Breakfast, pack-up

9:00 am - Ministry Site VBS, Women’s Ministry

1:00 pm - Head for border

4:00 pm – Enter USA

Good Friday 3/29

Complete trip home

Member Check List What you need

HIGH PRIORITY ITEMS:

- Bible, pen, journal - (For personal devotions and chapels)
- Water bottle - (to refill, name on it)
- Passport
- Watch

BEDDING:

- Sleeping Bag & Pillow - (Mark your name and church name clearly on stuff.)
- Air Mattress - (For comfort, and warmth)
- Disposable Earplugs - (snoring, roosters, loud music)

TOILETRIES:

- Deodorant, shampoo, towel, wipes, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, (anything you need and use for personal hygiene)
- TP (Bano's are stocked, but it's no fun to be caught without)
- Sunscreen, girl things, mirror, nail clipper, hair needs
- Your own (anti-diarrhea med), Tylenol, Chap stick

MEXICO CLOTHES:

- (Ziploc bags keep clean from dirty.)
- Reserve clean clothes for Friday hotel to home.
- Colored T-shirts (not undershirts) No label advertisements
- Underwear/socks for each day.
- Comfortable shoes (no open toed sandals in Mexico)

DAYTIME CLOTHES:

Guys:

All pants/shorts must be to the knee.
No muscle shirts. Guys must wear collared shirt to church.

Girls:

All skirts/pants/capris/shorts must be to the knee. No spaghetti straps/thin tank tops
Sleeveless blouses are ok (with thick straps).
Skirt/dress clothes for Sunday service.

Please bring warm clothes for at night.

OTHER THINGS:

- Work gloves for community service project
- Camera/film/batteries (if desired) Put your name on camera's!
- Flashlights (especially for unlit banos in the night) Snake lights!
- Souvenir money - \$50 suggested amount
- Food Money for meals prior to Mexico arrival & Sat. Lunch
- Camp Chairs (If they fold small)

Expectation Mexican Gov't

If we have a Religious FMS we may teach or preach up front. Anyone can be up front to perform a drama or lead singing. We can share testimonies as long as it represents our story and we are not preaching. We can pray one on one or in small groups outside the church. It is highly recommended to have a member of the Mexican with church with us.

Only Mexican citizens can pass out tracts. We can go with them. Only Mexican citizens can ask kids to repeat verses after them. We can hold signs and participate in the learning. We can show a movie or video with a member of the Mexican church participating. We can play or lead the following: games, craft projects, singing, VBS stories, construction work, and community projects.

Health Care Info

To avoid dehydration, our #1 ailment and other illnesses that can arise, the very most important thing we do is drink water. We always buy our water and ask each member to drink 6-8 full bottles of water a day. Please avoid soda pop until after supper. Begin drinking more than you are used to before you leave home and continue several days after you return home.

BEFORE WE GO Get Your Meds

SHOTS: We encourage a current Tetanus shot for every team member. The town streets are dirt, and you may even see sewage running out into yards or street. We are also aware of dogs or other animals that could cause problems if they were to bite you. Another option is a Hepatitis A shot.

ISSUES & MEDS: Traveler's Diarrhea is always of concern. Each year someone is affected. Please take our precautions seriously. The first line of defense is **PREVENTION!!!!**

Select safe foods and water (foods thoroughly cooked, no salads or raw seafood's, avoid milk, ice cream, yogurt and dairy products; drink bottled water, avoid ice cubes, use safe water to brush your teeth and take any medications) Please be sure to notify your leaders if you or one of your team are having difficulty. We are a long way from home and must take care of each other.

Pepto-Bismol and an Anti-diarrheal medication (Imodium or Lomotil) should be part of every individual's personal medication supply. Sometimes an anti-biotic is needed. The three choices below are recommended to use. You can discuss this with your doctor.

He may prescribe one of the antibiotics listed below.

....Levofloxacin 250 mg tablets, 2 tablets on day one, then 1 per day for 2 more days if diarrhea persist.

....Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole DS tablets (Septra DS or Bactrim DS), 1 tablet by mouth twice a day for 5 days. (the least cost).

....Ciprofloxacin (Cipro) 500 mg tablet, 1 tablet by mouth twice a day for 3-5 days.

OTHER MEDICATIONS: If you have a favorite cold or sinus tablet like Tylenol or Advil, please bring those. Hopefully you won't need them and can bring them back home with you.

Tent Village Rules The Most Crowded Campground Ever

The Mt. Sinai Church has graciously offered the Parsonage yard for our sleeping needs. These simple rules will show our good will to the neighbors around us as well as the other teams that are in tent village.

1. The restrooms are not to be used for make-up and hair styling.
2. The quiet time is to be observed by all and for all.
3. Valuables are your responsibility. Keep them well hidden or with you at all times.
4. If any student or adult is ill or staying back at camp, you must make the Borderless Staff aware of this.

Need to Know Info for Everyone

General Behavior:

Be attentive, diligent, contented and responsible for the jobs given you. Be faithful in prayer, for yourself, your teammates and for the leaders and be thankful. Be patient with others. Be obedient to leadership, knowing that that is God's will for you. Be tenderhearted and loving to those that have a rough day and need encouragement.

Be careful to be Christ like in all conversations. Many children and adults in Mexico know American words and phrases. Never assume they don't understand.

Be a servant to all - the church, the towns, each other. Be ready for changes. We adapt to laid back Mexican culture and go with the flow. Be respectful to the clock at base camp. Use your watch and keep schedules as best you can.

Be wise with things you bring like camera's, clothes, valuables, cell phones...(for emergency calls to mom, only).

Don't flaunt any possessions to those less fortunate. Be obedient to your own youth leader in rules they specifically make for you.

Be wise in spending time pursuing boy/girl relationships while on this trip. In other words, don't! Wait till you get home. Be diligent with this behavior during free time at your ministry sites. Guys play with boys, girls with the girls. If it's a planned game going on, that is different. This includes your time on the bus. After lights out on the bus, guys sit with guys and girls sit with girls. No guys and girls snuggling in the seats.

Girls: Absolutely no "hanging out" with the adolescent boys. Guys: Please come to their aid if you see this happening. Any drug (smoking or otherwise) or alcohol use or behavior is not appropriate to why we are on this mission, This will be reason for immediate dismissal home, at the expense of your parents

What to Wear In Mexico

Guys:

All pants/shorts must be to the knee. No muscle shirts. Please wear a collared shirt to church.

Girls:

All skirts/pants/capris must be to the knee. No spaghetti straps/thin tank tops Sleeveless blouses are ok (with thick straps). Skirt/dress clothes for Sunday service.

Everyone:

No inappropriate logos/words on clothing

Sandals are ok but close toed shoes are recommended

Leaders can choose to require closed toed shoes for their group if they see fit for their ministry site/planned activities

During church, girls need to wear skirts covering the knees. Guys need to wear a button up shirt, pants (no jeans).

While in Mexico

MEDICAL CARE: Each team supplies their own first aid kit and supplies. We also have a nurse and others who can administer first aid and CPR. Let your youth leader know of any prescription drugs that you take on a regular basis. (Allergies, asthma, Diabetes, etc.)

HYGIENE: We take every precaution to keep safe. We use gloves during community service projects. (Bring your own)

TP and HANDWASHING: Use clean TP. If you are using an old fashioned out house at your ministry site, use your own TP. Use Purell! Wash your hands every time you can.

OUT HOUSES and rest rooms at our base camp are clean and the TP is supplied by us. Hand sanitizer will be available at the base camp. Small bottles are available for your pockets. Your leader may provide bigger bottles at your ministry site as well.

WATER: Drink water, morning, noon and night! A good water bottle with a strap can be refilled by out purchased water several times a day. Never use town water for drinking or teeth brushing. Don't share bottles with the kids. You can share by pouring water into their mouths.

DINING OUT: When eating out, be very careful of vegetables. Because they are probably grown in Mexico and watered with Mexican water, they can cause illness. Don't eat from street vendors unless approved by Borderless in our base camp town of Mezquital. Any food prepared at base camp by our cooks or the Mexican church cooks have been careful prepared and you can eat freely.

Church Etiquette The Dos & Don'ts

Keep cell phones in your pocket unless using it to translate.

Proper cell phone use as defined by ministry site leader.

No gum chewing

No food or drinks, except water.

Pictures taken only with permission of your individual pastor.

Stand during reading of the Word and/or prayer.

No boy/girl team seating.

Be attentive with Bible open even when Spanish is being spoken and you don't understand.

No walking in and out to the bathroom unless dire emergency.

Just In Case You Get Sick

EMERGENCY CARE: We will make every effort to make you as comfortable as possible. There will be a first aid station at the base camp. If your symptoms need further medical attention, we will take you to Yuma, AZ (about a 30 minute drive) to the emergency room of the Yuma Hospital. Leaders need ready access to their Permission to Treatment which must accompany anyone going to the hospital.

DEHYDRATION: If symptoms arise, you will be watched closely and given extra hydrating liquids.

HEAT EXHAUSTION: If temperatures are extreme and you begin feeling light headed, dizzy, immediately tell your leader. Even if you have been drinking lots, heat exhaustion can happen. Tell someone.

COLDS: Sore throats, coughs and respiratory problems can be very common with the excessive dust and variety of temperatures we face during the week. Your favorite over the counter med's will come in handy and we will have a supply as well

Songs For Mexico

Cristo Ama A Los Ninos

Jesus Loves the Little Children

G
CRISTO AMA A LOS
NIÑOS D
PUES LOS NIÑOS SON DE EL,
G
NO LE IMPORTA TU
COLOR, C G
SOLÓ QUIERE DE TU AMOR,
C D G
CRISTO AMA A LOS NIÑOS POR
IGUAL G
DIO SU VIDA POR LOS NIÑOS
D
DE ESTE MUNDO QUE EL CREO
G
NO LE IMPORTA TU
COLOR, C G
SOLÓ QUIERE DE TU AMOR,
C D G
CRISTO AMA A LOS NIÑOS POR
IGUAL

Tu Nombre Leventare

Lord I Lift Your Name

G C D C G C D C
Tu nombre levantaré/ / Me deleito en alabarte
G C D C
Te agradezco que en, me vida estés
G C D C D
Que vinieras a salvarme
G C D C G
De hasta el trono - Para mostrarnos la luz
C D C G
De tu trono a la cruz - Y mi deuda pagar
C D Em Am
De la Cruz a morir - De la muerte a tu trono
D G (C D C G)
Tu Nombre Levantaré

Este Es El Dia

This is the Day

D
Este es el día (Este es el día)
A
Que hizo el Señor (que hizo el Señor)
A
Me gozaré, (me gozaré)
D
Y le alabaré, (Y le alabaré)
G D
Este es el día, que hizo el Señor
G D
Me gozaré, y le alabaré
D
Este es el día, (Este es el día)
A7 D
Que Hizo El Señor

Aunque No Marche

I'm In The Lord's Army

D
Aunque no marche en la infantería
A D
Caballería, artillería
D
Aunque en avión no voy volando
A D
Pero soldado soy (2nd time end)
D G D
Soldado soy de Jesús, SI SEÑOR!
D G D
Soldado soy de Jesús, SI SEÑOR!

Songs For Mexico

Yo Tengo Gozo

I Have Joy

G
 YO TENGO GOZO, GOZO, GOZO,
 GOZO, G D
 EN ME CORAZON, EN ME CORAZON
 G
 EN ME CORAZON
 G
 YO TENGO GOZO, GOZO, GOZO,
 GOZO, G
 EN MI CORAZON
 D G
 PORQUE CRISTO ME SALVO

- 2) YO TENGO PAZ, PAZ, PAZ...
 3) YO TENGO ALEGRIA, ALEGRIA...
 4) YO TENGO GOZO, PAZ, Y ALEGRIA...

C G
 ESTOY ALE-GRE, MUY, MUY ALEGRE,
 D
 ESTÁ EL AMOR DE CRISTO
 G
 EN MI CORAZÓN.

Aleyu, Aleyu

Hallelu, Hallelu

G C G D G
 Aleyu, Aleyu, Aleyu, Aleyuia, Gloria A Dios
 G C G D G
 Aleyu, Aleyu, Aleyu, Aleyuia, Gloria A Dios
 G D D G
 Gloria A Dios, Aleyuia, Gloria A Dios, Aleyuia
 G D D G
 Gloria A Dios, Aleyuia, Gloria A Dios

Alabare

Praise! (can play w/C & G)

D
 ALABARE (ALABARE), ALABARE (ALABARE)
 A D
 ALABARE A MI SEÑOR
 D
 ALABARE (ALABARE), ALABARE (ALABARE)
 A D
 ALABARE A MIS SEÑOR
 D
 JUAN VIO EL NUMERO DE LOS
 REDIMIDOS D A
 Y TODOS ALABABAN AL SEÑOR
 A
 UNOS ORABAN, OTROS CANTABAN
 A D A D
 Y TODOS ALABABAN AL SEÑOR

I Just Wanna Be A Sheep

D
 I just wanna be a sheep, baa baa baa baa.
 A
 I just wanna be a sheep, baa baa baa baa.
 G A
 I pray the Lord my soul to keep,
 D
 I just wanna be a sheep, baa baa baa baa

I don't wanna be a Pharisee...
 Fariseo no sere
 Fariseo no sere
 Porque justo quiero ser
 Fariseo no sere

I don't wanna be a Sadducee
 Saduceo no sere
 Saduceo no sere
 Porque triste no sere
 Saduceo no sere

I don't wanna be a hypocrite
 No sere hipócrita
 No sere hipócrita
 En verdad yo vivire
 No sere hipócrita