



Dream vs. Dilemma #1: GOD'S VILLAGES

Dream:

That the villagers of North Nicaragua would live in light instead of darkness with strong families and literate and healthy children, eager to teach and share the gospel.

Dilemma:

Uneducated villagers are easily forced to submit to a corrupt government that perpetuates their poverty by making it difficult for non-sympathizers to become documented citizens or ascend economically unless they continually show loyalty to the party.

Facilities used to further this dream:

- Future Water Center
- Leadership School
- Clinic
- Church & Development Building

Programs used to further this dream:

- Medical & Dental Care
- Clean Water Projects
- Help! For Education
- Family Sponsorship Program (which includes "Sustainable Income for Nicaraguans," i.e. Sewing, Aid to Small Businesses, and Nativos Artisans & Folklore)

Potential reach of this dream:

30-35,000 people who reside in the villages we serve

Note(s):

We are principally "for" God's 54 villages that surround San Ramon and those living in the impoverished Northern rural communities. Because of our commitment to them, our aid is focused on those areas, NOT on the townspeople of San Ramon or those residing in urban areas.

Because this is our most important dream, we invite you to choose a bible verse that inspires YOU to help us further this dream.



Dream vs. Dilemma #2: LIGHTNESS COMES THROUGH THE FLOCKS

Jesus said, "I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it." –Matthew 16:18NLT

Dream:

That rural churches and pastors would grow and develop powerful, loving flocks that play a key role in bringing light to the villages.

Dilemma:

In North Nicaragua pastors and churches are rarely self-sustaining and vulnerable to false gospels and theological confusion. This stems from a lack of education and the inability to discern what the true gospel is and preach it clearly. Most church leaders in the Northern villages never finished elementary school and many are illiterate and rely on story telling to communicate bible principals and the gospel. They also deal with continuous meddling from the FSLN party and some live in fear, often receiving threats if they will not preach allegiance to the Sandinistas. Biblical and educational resources are needed, as well as practical help to assist churches with development.

Facilities used to further this dream:

Church Development Building

Programs used to further this dream:

Trinity Connection

Family Sponsorship Program (Some Pastors are on this program)

Potential reach of this dream:

500 +/- Nicaraguan pastors and church workers who represent approximately 115 churches, chapels, and church plants + their flocks of Christ-followers in the villages we serve

Note(s):



Dream vs. Dilemma #3: FIRST WORLD PARTICIPANTS ACCEPT THEIR ASSIGNMENT TO BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

“It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ago he planned that we should spend these lives helping others.” –Ephesians 2:10LB

Dream:

That Christian participants from developed countries would experience life-changing effects that change the way they view their time, resources, and abilities to be disciples of Christ and do the Lord’s work throughout the world.

Dilemma:

Though most Christian citizens in first world nations are blessed with health, finances, talents, and opportunities, many spend little time or money serving others or seeking to become the hands and feet of Jesus (disciples). Hobbies, leisurism, and even habits compete for valuable hours and days that could be spent growing God's kingdom and bringing light to the nations.

Facilities used to further this dream:

Quinta El Misionero
Plaza de Bondad at La Lima
COL Offices & Meeting Places throughout the world

Programs used to further this dream:

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*Touch The World Learning

Potential reach of this dream:

Up to 1,500 team members per year – maybe even more!

Note(s):



Dream vs. Dilemma #4: REACH “REGULAR PEOPLE”

13 “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. **15** Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. **16** In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

-Matthew 5:13-16

Dream:

That “regular people” who wouldn’t normally attend a church would be exposed to genuine servant Christians and feel accepted, and “good enough” to begin their own exploration of who Jesus is when they return home.

Dilemma:

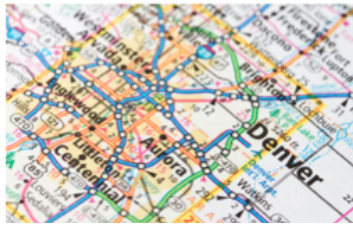
It is said that in North America and throughout the world Christianity is largely viewed as a judgmental, condemning religion that is more known for hatred than love. Corner of Love is dedicated to doing our part to minister to non-believers by involving them in some of God’s most special work, which in the past has often been saved for missionaries and those who know the bible very well.

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Dream vs. Dilemma #4 (Continued)

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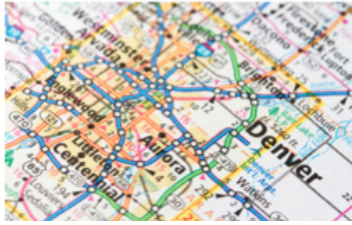
Thousands of unchurched people all over the globe!

Note(s):

Corner of Love needs SALT & LIGHT leaders on mission trips. For many participants, we are the closest thing to “church” that they have experienced in their lifetime.

Salt and light are metaphors used by Jesus in the [Sermon on the Mount](#), one of the main teachings of Jesus on morality and discipleship. These metaphors in [Matthew 5:13–16](#) immediately follow the [Beatitudes](#) and refer to expectations from the disciples.

Notes:



Corner of Love's three buildings at La Lima River, one kilometer from Quinta El Misionero. (Compassion [Goodness] Plaza)

What will happen there??

1. Leadership School

- ⇒ Subjects: ENGLISH, COMPUTER SKILLS, and BIBLE STUDY
- ⇒ Ages: 9-16
- ⇒ Schedule: Undetermined
- ⇒ Participation: 1-3 students from each village we serve in
- ⇒ Transportation: Bus students in, using public route buses + possibly purchase our own
- ⇒ Teachers: Local natives
- ⇒ How COL Team Members fit in: Leadership students will be part of our volunteer force in village clinics, Team-Members will help teach English, and engage in special service projects (determined by native teachers) with the students



Medical-Dental-Vision Clinic

- ⇒ **Medical Services:** Multiple general medicine rooms in addition to specialized exam rooms for ENT, First Aid and fractures, Dermatology, plus pharmacy, lab, therapies, and records area
- ⇒ **Dental Services:** Three exam rooms for restorative, surgical, and hygiene
- ⇒ **Vision Services:** Prescription glasses and medicines storage room, exam room
- ⇒ **Surgery:** It is our prayer that we will be able to outfit a small but adequate surgery suite where simple procedures like ear tubes, tumor removal, and other procedures can take place
- ⇒ **Operating Schedule:** TBD, Subject to Nic. Gov't input
- ⇒ **Licensing:** Presently we plan to license professionals in the same fashion, as temporary workers
- ⇒ **Patients:** Host different villages on different days, appointments for those who need follow up care or who cannot be helped in a village

Church & Development Center

- ⇒ **Church Development Trainings & Seminars:** For Nicaraguan pastors, taught by both Nicaraguans & those invited by Corner of Love
- ⇒ **Church Development Curriculum:** Designed by COL/Trinity Connection
- ⇒ **Open Area in building:** Church sanctuary, doubles as teaching space
- ⇒ **Wedding Closet & Marriage Support Program**
- ⇒ **Work Spaces:** For Sustainable Income for Nicaraguans activities; sewing [Sewing Seeds of Hope], artisan workers [Nativos], aid to small business owners [PEQ EMP]

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Dreams



Quinta El Misionero

What new things will happen there?

- ⇒ Move all clothing, shoes, and items for distribution to Plaza de Bondad at La Lima
- ⇒ Reduce the size of the pharmacy

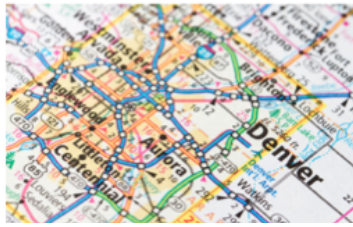
Internet Café & Learning Center

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Family Sponsorships Community Garden

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NEW : Future Water Center

- ⇒ Location: Next to QEM, towards Main Street of San Ramon
- ⇒ Purpose: Centralize and expand all of Corner of Love's clean water projects
- ⇒ New Volunteer Opportunities: Assemble "filtrones" together with villagers
- ⇒ First Task: Drill large-capacity well, irrigate crops at QEM
- ⇒ Future Structures: Roofed port/garage to house well-drilling rig, *Importance of Potable Water Hands-On Museum*