



# A Slice of the Action

## WORK TEAMS

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At this time, we are looking forward to hosting work teams again in 2022, God willing. Just like everyone else, we continue to evaluate and review the situation with COVID-19 in Mexico and in the United States, and while we cannot wait to crank up the concrete mixer again, we want to do so in a way that is mindful of the health and safety of our friends in the Mayan villages, of the staff of Accion, and of the trip participants. On the [friendsofaccion.org](http://friendsofaccion.org) website, the Work Teams page has a link to our Team Leader's Handbook with a last page on COVID-19 protocols. Thank you for your understanding during these trying times, and we look forward to reuniting with you again soon, friends!

## Exciting Women's CEM Update!

We are thrilled to announce that in spite of incredible challenges surrounding COVID-19 and natural disasters that have hit the peninsula, the Women's CEM program is up and running! There are currently four young women enrolled in the CEM program. They are pictured here along with Keyla, the Resident Director. We are grateful to your support and initiative in seeing this dream come to fruition, and we look forward to seeing the program con-

tinue to evolve and grow. Thanks to you, these young women will have opportunities they could not otherwise have obtained. In addition to the Women's CEM, the Men's CEM is

currently serving twelve young men and the VIM program hosts seventeen children. Please continue to pray for the children, the dedicated staff, and the programs that Accion supports.



## A Message from Oscar

Hola Friends! We send you blessings from the Mayaland! We continue to adjust to this "new normal." Our programs continue to function: VIM, CEM and now we have a CEM for girls. Thank you for your material blessings that are allowing us to continue to bless many families, youth, and children. Many Mayan churches have requested our help for the 2022

summer work group program; we hope and pray that you will consider helping us build His kingdom. In the book of John (6:1-13), there is a small boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish. He took the lunch that his mother had prepared for him, and he handed it to Jesus. The Lord blessed it and was able to feed five thousand people. You, friends, have done just that for the Mayan church. Thank you! En Cristo,

*Oscar R. Dorantes*

# LEGACY GIVING: REMEMBERING D.A. BRADLEY

If you ever met D.A. Bradley, you know how closely she held Accion’s mission in her heart. She went on many mission trips and supported the organization financially during her life. After her passing on November 27, 2020, we learned that

she generously left a legacy gift to help further this mission. Her gift helps insure the stability and longevity of Accion and will directly benefit the amazing children and families in Mexico that it serves. D.A. is pictured in the center

below, at the high school near VIM with other good friends on 2018 trip. She had been the “energizer bunny” of Accion trips but is now “going on and on” in heaven with her beloved Lord.



D.A. Bradley (center) and friends at the high school near VIM

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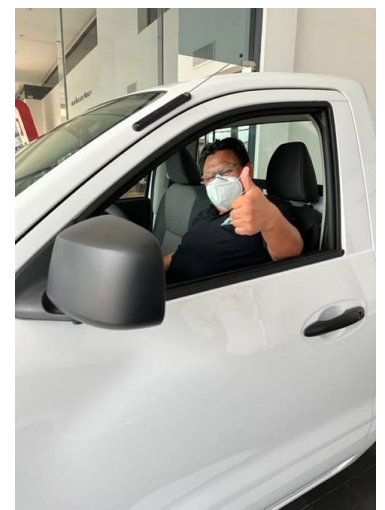
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**Chicken Truck!** Pictured to the right is a very grateful Roger with Accion’s brand new “chicken truck” (a Mexican term)! This badly needed truck was needed to replace an old one that is aging and inefficient but will be repurposed for lighter duty at VIM. The chicken truck will be used to haul equipment, groceries and other necessities, and it will have the capability to have a trailer hitched to it for attaching mixers and other construction materials. Unclear yet if it will actually haul chickens.



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