



**DISCIPLING AND STRENGTHENING HEARTS FOR CHRIST**

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May the Lord direct your hearts to God's love and Christ's endurance.  
2 Thessalonians 3:5

### ORDINARY STEPS BECOME EXTRAORDINARY

***Have you ever been in the midst of a situation when all of the sudden you realize that you're experiencing something that you could never have orchestrated? In fact, the everyday steps leading up to that moment are so ordinary that they create the perfect camouflage for something extraordinary.***

*And that's what's so wonderful about living everyday with the Lord Jesus...He makes the ordinary extraordinary and the normal supernatural.*

*Last November, we went to hear Pastor Gerardo Garcia from Palabra de Vida teach. Since Alex is from Leon, he gave us the contact information for an American pastor who had just started a church there. It wasn't until this past March that our schedule allowed us to call and at least talk to Jeff and Sylvia.*

*We arranged a meeting to have coffee and as we were sharing our story with them we mentioned that we had gone to [Charis Bible College](#) and we were teaching [Discipleship Evangelism](#) and that's when everything changed. Jeff told us that his mom, Karen Duncan, had been an instructor at Charis. Immediately, we recalled taking her class in our first year correspondence course. I remember thinking to myself that we should have recognized their last name! It was remarkable realizing how the Lord had worked through so many people, decisions and details for us to meet each other. Just the week before Jeff had told Sylvia that it was time to begin a discipleship course at the church, but to translate what he had into Spanish didn't seem feasible.....(please continue to page 2)*



### Who We Are

Alex and Julie came to know the Lord while they lived in Puebla, Mexico in 1982. They have 3 grown children: Amelia, her husband Jordan, David and Amanda. Alex and Julie attended Charis Bible College (CBC) where they graduated in 2009. July 1, 2010, they were ordained into the ministry and now reside in Queretaro, Mexico.



Alex and Julie introduced us to the Discipleship/Evangelism curriculum which happened to meet all of our specifications. We have begun using the material and have received a tremendous response from our congregation about the simplicity and thoroughness of the lessons. The DE material has since become the first step in our spiritual growth plan for our new Church Plant.

- Jeff Duncan, Pastor of [Arbol de Vida Church](#) (Leon, Mexico)



.....We spent the rest that evening talking about the testimonies we have experienced using DE and how people's lives are forever changed as a result of taking the course. ***This meeting was an answer to prayer for the four of us!*** Only the Lord could have orchestrated a moment such as this not just to meet our ministry needs, but to give us a friendship! How kind is God?! Because of your gifts, we were able to give Pastors Jeff and Sylvia the 10 sets of DE (discipleship course) that they needed. With these materials they began teaching DE and now they have 15-20 new believers coming on Wednesday evenings!



Jeff and Sylvia's church in Leon, Gto

Our attorney, Martin Guerrero, (pictured below with Julie) has been helping missionaries, ministers and business men for years and comes to us with a wealth of knowledge concerning religious and civil associations. These are the American equivalent of a non-profit organization. In order to continue in the next phase of what we believe the Lord has for us to do, we must establish the proper legal entity. With Martin's expertise we will be able to create a sound foundation for CBC Queretaro (Bible college) and other projects.

*Your willingness to give enables us to make these great strides. Discipleship is transforming people as they discover who they are in Christ and what how that applies to their lives individually...which is the only way to bring positive and lasting change to the people of Mexico!* Please consider partnering with us or giving a one-time gift to continue the work of making disciples.

**We are excited to announce the addition of the "Latest Testimonies" feature (click on the highlighted phrase) to our website!** Now you can read the responses we got to the question...How has DE (this discipleship course) affected your life? We think that you will be encouraged to see how the Lord has touched their lives!



Attorney Martin handing Julie her visa!



Qro. DE Group Graduates

We are so very thankful for your love, prayers and support! Together we are bringing the Good News of God's unconditional love to Mexico!

We look forward to seeing many of you at [AWMI's Summer Family Bible Conference](#) soon!

Blessed in His love,  
*Alex & Julie*

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