



Accion Ministries

Yucatán peninsula, Mexico

A partnership of Mexican &
American Christians to build
the body of Christ

Faith with Action = Acción

Ministries

- Homes for education
 - Mayan Children's Village (VIM)
 - Merida Student House (CEM) for men
 - Merida Student House (CEM) for women
- Building Projects with U.S. Work Teams
 - Church to Church building projects
 - Building and improving homes
- Disaster Relief

All led by Mexican Missionary Staff.

Accion's video of the impact of our student programs



Serving Mayan villagers throughout the Yucatan







Typical Mayan homes

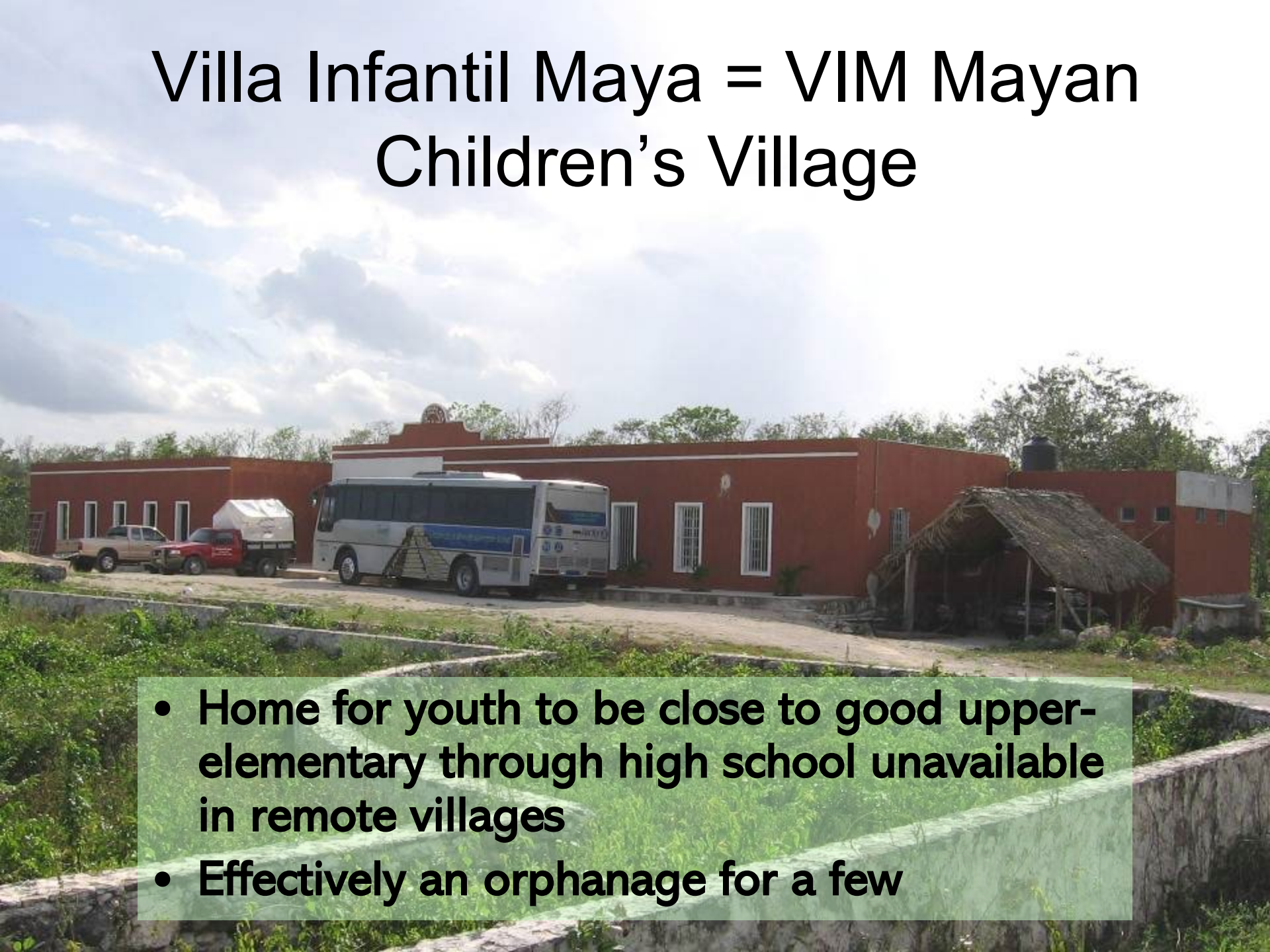
This family was host to part of a work team from the US.



Everyone uses hammocks!



Villa Infantil Maya = VIM Mayan Children's Village

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- Home for youth to be close to good upper-elementary through high school unavailable in remote villages
 - Effectively an orphanage for a few



Grand opening of VIM in 2006 attended by FOA board and guests



Truck decorated by students for Grand Opening Celebration



Dinner time at VIM



After a volleyball game at VIM



VIM Kitchen

Pastor Oscar sing with vim kids

- Outreach to
area villages



Merida Student House (CEM) for young women





Young women living at CEM, winter 2023

Merida Student House for young men



Enabling Education of Engineers, Pastors and Businessmen.



Activities include Bible Study



Two-story rear of complex

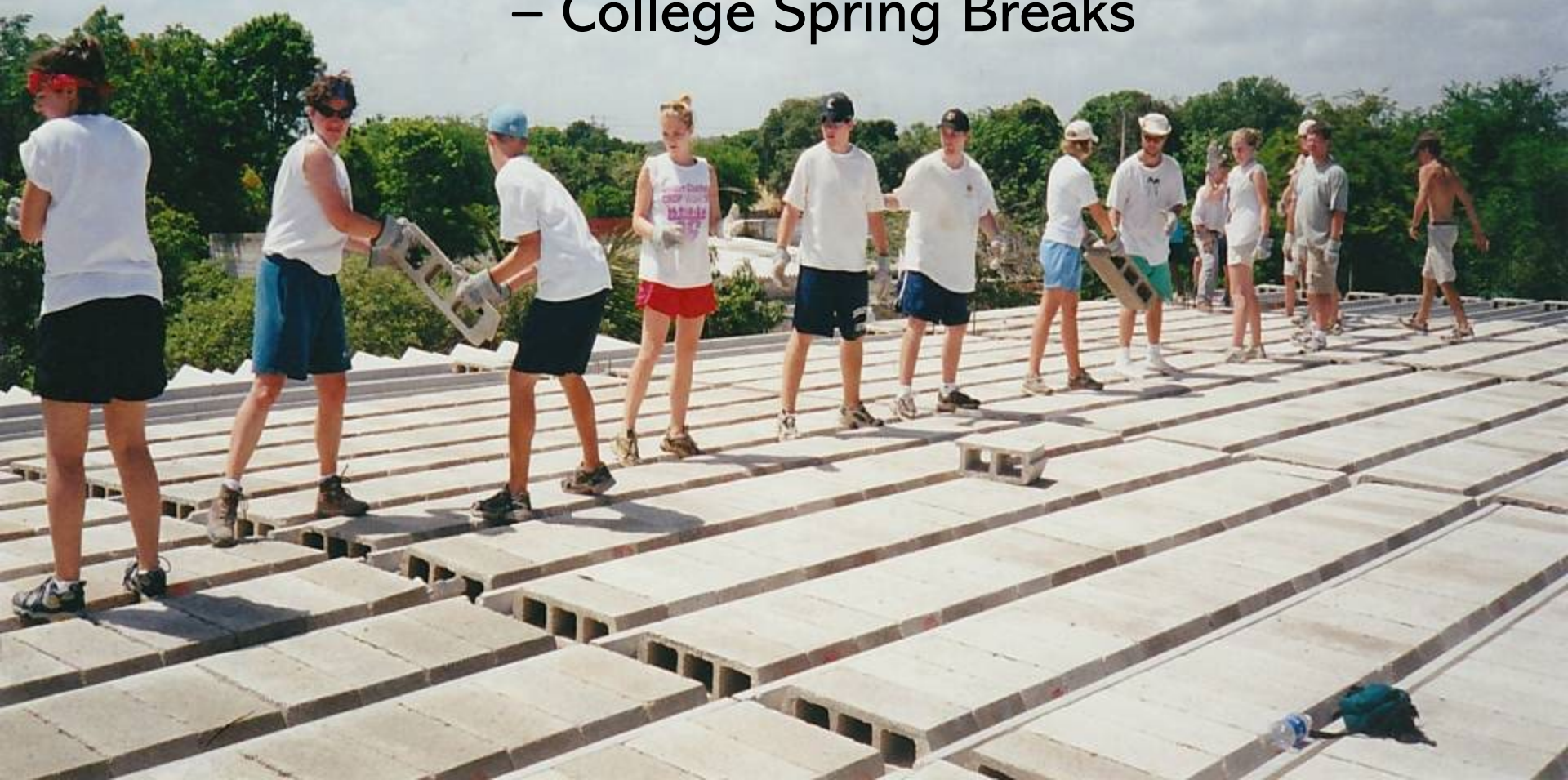
- Student rooms
- Hostel for families of hospitalized



Work Teams

are the life-blood of Accion

- Church Youth Groups
- Adult Mission Trips
- College Spring Breaks



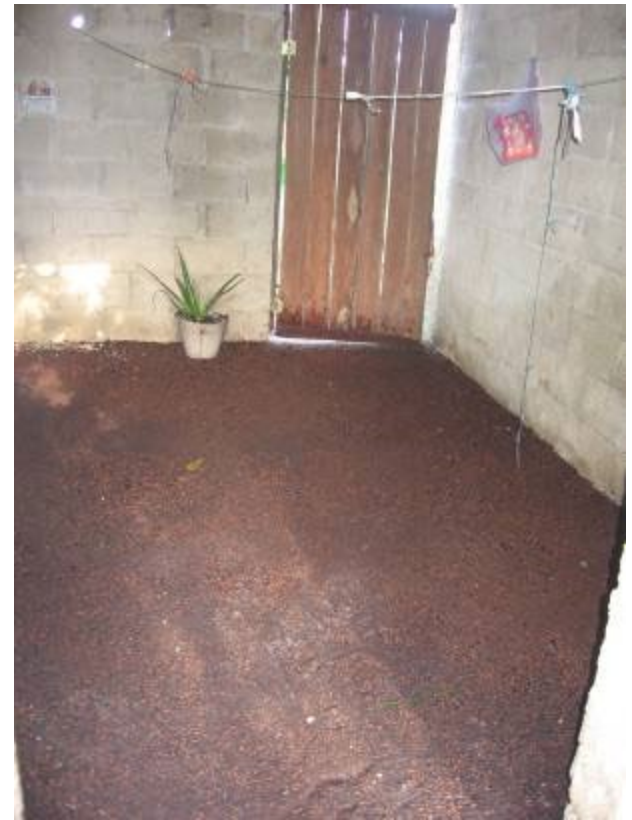


Building church improvements



Build and improve homes

Concrete over a dirt floor



Working hard






Vacation Bible School is always a hit with children and work teams

In villages with a church





and in those
without a
Church



Disaster relief after hurricanes or flooding



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corn and building supplies



Staff of Accion

- Founded by Rev. Oscar Dorantes
 - 1981 first work team
 - 1988 Accion officially organized in Mexico
 - 2008 retired
- Now led by Rev. Oscar R. Dorantes (called Jr.)
 - Missionary of Mexican Presbyterian Church
 - Social Anthropologist
 - Ordained Presbyterian pastor
 - Assuming leadership since 2006



Oscar R. & Pathi
Maya & Andre



Oscar R. (Jr.), Thelma, Oscar (Sr.)

Assistant Director Roger Aviles



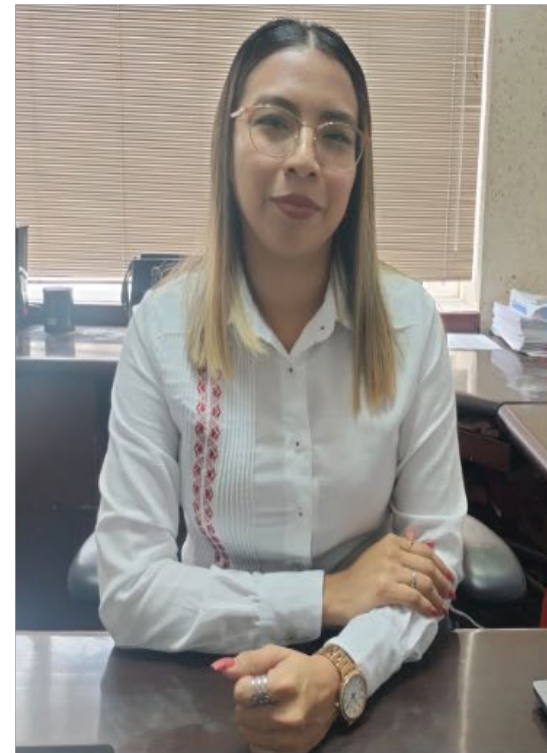
with Eduardo, Ana & Cristina; Pathi and Oscar



Rev. Josué Puch
CEM Director



Rev. Jorge Salazar
VIM Director



Rev. Keyla May
CEM Director

How can we help?

- Badly needed monthly financial support
 - Mayan Children's Village (VIM)
 - Merida Student House (CEM) for men
 - Merida Student House (CEM) for women
 - Missionary support for Staff
- Send a mission work team!
 - coordinator: stacy.lynch2131@gmail.com



friends of Accion, inc.

To render meaningful support to the charitable activities of Acción in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico with a view to advancing the well being of the people served and the Christian faith.

- 501(c)(3) non-profit charity
- support and accountability for Accion
- Board members from Presbyterian and Lutheran churches in NC, VA, MS, ND, AZ.
- Support from a broad number of reformed and congregational churches and individuals.
- <http://www.friendsofaccion.org/>

Pray for the
ministries of
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I Peter 3:8-15

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing...

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

People do ask

- Mexicans ask:
 - Why are the Student Houses provided for those who cannot pay?
 - Why do Americans use their vacations to come work in our poor village?
- Americans ask:
 - How can poor Christians be so joyous and friendly?
 - What really does make my life meaningful?

We share Faith, Hope & Love!

- We stand in the Grace of Jesus Christ.
- Hope in God does not disappoint!
- We respond to God's love in mission: we do what we can and trust that God is using us as part of His redeeming plan for the world.

