

FRESHSTART™ Trip Report

"Providing The Opportunity For A Fresh Start, For Every Heart, In Every Nation!"

Fresh Start El Salvador • September 8-12, 2011

Our September 8 -12 Fresh Start El Salvador mission was "full throttle" from beginning to end and greatly anointed and blessed of the Lord! We had the privilege of presenting Fresh Start seminars to teachers, pastors, leaders and more!

Many leaders were impacted...one of the leaders shared:

"Last Saturday, the 10th of September, Fresh Start came to my church to teach how to handle bitterness and anger. I decided to pour out my heart to God and forgive my supervisor, not taking into account what he said. I decided to start this day as a new day as if nothing had happened, expecting it to be better than the past. I give thanks to God for taking care of my heart and for bringing Fresh Start into my life. Blessings to the ministry and all the brothers and sisters that work in it!"

Our Fresh Start Team of Brad and Susan Thomas, Cheryl Buhre, Michelle Jeter, Dave Songster and Pastor Steve enjoyed amazing unity, harmony and synergy!

The BIG EVENT for our time in El Salvador was the Fresh Start Seminar on Saturday, September 10. It truly was a HOME RUN! The Pastors, leaders, teachers and others in attendance were very engaged during our day together. Our seminar presentation included skits, interactive exercises, and our Fresh Start team each sharing their stories -- how their hearts had been transformed and how they had been freed from the effects of offense, hurt and loss by processing and forgiving family members, ministry and church leaders and friends.

It was so encouraging to hear throughout this trip that several teachers, leaders and Pastors have been "giving away" what they received from our first Fresh Start trip to El Salvador in 2010. This has taken different forms: presenting Fresh Start seminars, providing "New Beginnings" ministry opportunities in churches, and doing Fresh Start ministry individually. Amazing!

During our days in El Salvador, we also received requests for additional Fresh Start resources. This opened the door for us to share other FS resources that we have translated into Spanish such as the TRAUMA booklet and the HAPPY HEART booklet (for children).

Also, Javier Osorio, our ministry partner with **Christ For The City**, is requesting a Fresh Start team to return to El Salvador in the future and present Fresh Start in two other locations in the country. Other leaders have expressed a desire for MORE as well. There's ALWAYS MORE!

Thank you again for carrying our Fresh Start Team in prayer during this full and rewarding mission! We could not have done it without you!

Please continue to pray that God would raise up a KEY LEADER and a Fresh Start El Salvador team to extend the Fresh Start mission of applying the Gospel of Forgiveness to the hearts of men, women and young people---what a wonderfully effective way of discipling the nations!

With much love and appreciation!

The 2011 Fresh Start El Salvador Team

"It's NEVER TOO LATE for a Fresh Start!"