

From Renie's Desk



Today I was given an honor that I still cannot believe. I was invited to represent Gabriel House in a symposium to present ways to honor and further the human rights of the children of Mexico. We are one of only three children's ministries that are invited from Baja. Several states of Mexico will be represented.

I have been asked to present a 5 minute speech at one of the round tables on the theme of, "Special protection and justice for child populations most at risk in Mexico."

Right up my alley, don't you think??

This will take place from 8AM in the morning until 8PM in the evening on Wednesday, October 14th, in Tijuana. The first lady of Mexico, Margarita Zevala de Calderon, will be present and will open the symposium.

I have prayerfully considered covering these areas:

Promotion of laws that would:

1. Allow handicapped children priority and free treatment in hospitals and clinics.
2. Give handicapped children their medications, supplies, and apparatuses free of charge.
3. Allow passage, with proper preparation and documentation, of medicine, food and supplies going to bonified, registered children's ministries when passing the international border into Mexico.
4. Expedite and simplify the process and length of time involved in adoption of handicapped children.
5. Support, maintain and fund schools for the handicapped that are built

handicapped-friendly with ramps, bathrooms and extra staff to protect and help the children, and a medical staff to give their medicines and do their treatments and therapies at school.

6. Make and support special labor laws for bonified and registered non-profit children's ministries that train and employ Mexican workers.

7. Financially support children's ministry by matching peso-per-peso the financial donations that are received from the United States.

These are the things I believe the Lord has put on my heart to present at this symposium.

Please pray that my ideas and proposals do not offend the culture and I am humble and calm, and perceived as humble, (as opposed to a "know it all Americano").

Pray that I have the occasion to meet Senora Margarita Zevala de Calderon face-to-face and am able to make a positive impression for Gabriel House, and give her some information about us.

Please pray that they will have ears to hear. I feel like Esther going before the King for the very first time, knowing that this is my one shot to stand up for "my people", the handicapped children of Mexico.

Love in the mighty name of Jesus

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