



# The Quarterly Publication of the Godzwa Family, Missionaries to the Yucatán

### **Making a Spring Impact**

From March 4th to 11th, we had the pleasure of hosting the 8th Chi Alpha (XA) team of our missionary career. This team was comprised of 11 members from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) led by my brother, Mike. In their time here, they helped to stimulate the efforts of a church plant in Kiní, Yucatán and break new ground for university ministry in Mérida.

In Kiní, the team was able to bless the mission, "Dios es Amor," directed by lay minister, Roberto Ortega. What began as a crisis intervention for a panic stricken child has developed into a congregation of 35. This blessing of growth led to a challenge, however, finding a place large enough for this



group to meet! Land was purchased and the building started, but limited resources kept the dream of a permanent home just out of reach.

That's where the XA students were able to make a difference. With a generous contribution, materials were purchased, and in three days, working with members of the congregation, they were able to raise the roof of the building, where the church hopes to hold their first

service in April. (See banner photo.)

In Mérida, at the University of Yucatán School of Architecture, they were able to not only encourage the group of Christians gathering together for weekly Bible studies, but also engage 20 decidedly non-Christian students in conversations about topics like culture and faith. (photo above.)

Thanks for coming VCU XA!

#### Relate

While we're well on our way into the second semester of the school year, it bears mentioning what our threesome did with their Christmas vacation. Not only was a trip to the Big Apple a highlight, Rebekah, Joseph, and Jonathan also lent a hand during the World Missions Summit, where they served more than 6,000 students braiding hair, helping in the exhibits, and cleaning up when all was said and done.



#### **Connect**

We're praying for you! Have a pressing need you'd like to share? Scan the QR code or follow this link:

http:// goo.gl/ ADZH97 to submit your request to us.



## **Deep and Wide in Church Planting**

We've gone deep with our church planting pilot project, guiding 13 workers toward understanding and reaching their communities, but we've also gone wide. Last month, we held workshops to

sensitize nearly 100 pastors and leaders throughout the district to the need for planting new churches.



