

Dear **Friends** and **Family**,

On May 26th, 2025, I will be heading to Mexico for a mission trip with Cornell EADS. This will be my second mission trip, having also gone to EADS last summer. I want to emphasize my gratitude for all your support and encouragement these past couple of weeks, months, and years. I've been able to grow so much in my faith thanks to a community that cares so deeply about one another. I'm extremely grateful for the opportunity to head back to Mexico this summer, and I'm excited for the way God will work through this team and this mission trip.

For some context, El Amor del Señor (**EADS**), which translates to the **Love** of the **Lord**, is a short-term mission trip to San Telmo and Tijuana, Mexico. EADS is led by 4 Christ Mission (**4CM**), a non-profit organization dedicated to spreading the love of Jesus Christ and the Word of God throughout the nations. "According to the calling and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate our lives to glorify God in the furtherance of His kingdom here on Earth." Their mission for EADS is to empower and mobilize college students to be a part of the Great Commission in the mission field and on their campuses. Between May 26th and May 31st, 2025, I will be going with eight other Cornell students to serve and engage in children, adult, and rehab ministry in the local area.

As I've said before, this will be my second year going to EADS. I've spent some time thinking about why I am returning, and I don't quite know how to describe it. It is a feeling that can only be described by pictures:



Service in Tijuana on the first day

Ministry at a rehab center



Children's ministry at a church in San Telmo

Last year, I felt God was calling me to go to EADS. Through a set of circumstances, I found myself signing up to go last minute, desiring to know and encounter God through missions. Oh boy, was this decision transformative. Whether it was the daily morning and evening services that revealed to me my desperate need for Jesus, the work of the Holy Spirit in the ministry we were doing in rehab centers and churches, or even my own personal encounter with God, I got a glimpse of a tangible, immeasurable [love](#) that can only be described by the character of our Heavenly Father.

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

1 Peter 1:3

Even while facing hunger, fatigue, and unfamiliarity, I found a comfort and fire that filled me up so deeply that I felt myself yearning for more after it was all over. So, the reason I am going to EADS again? God showed me

the true weight of the death and resurrection of Jesus and my sins that nailed Jesus to that cross. I found myself exposed to life in Mexico, and I realized I lived with a lack of gratitude and a materialistic nature. Seeing addicts in rehab centers whose lives were thrown away by drug abuse, kneeling before God, confessing He was King, opened up my heart to want to go back and serve these communities once again. Oh, and I couldn't stop talking about EADS for a straight month after I got back. God is so good, and I am so excited about this opportunity to head back to Tijuana and San Telmo!

Currently, our EADS team is training in preparation to serve in Mexico. EADS this year will take place from May 26th to May 31st, and we will be serving in the communities of San Telmo and Tijuana, performing skits, VBS, visiting rehab centers, sharing testimonies, etc.

That being said, I will need a lot of support. First and foremost, I would be so grateful if you could pray for us. **Prayer** is what we need the most and is so important!

Prayer Requests:

- ❖ To soften the hearts of the team to serve the people of Mexico and do it all for God's glory and not for our own. God will only work through the team if we have the right heart and mind to serve Him.
- ❖ For peace and strength as we prepare for this mission trip. That despite the struggles and spiritual warfare we will face throughout the week, we will stay safe and fully present in our faith.
- ❖ To open the hearts of the local communities we will be serving. That they can be truly impacted in their faith by God working through our team.

In terms of **financial support**, I am looking to raise \$1000 to cover the expenses of this trip, so if you feel led to support me, you can **venmo** me **@JonathanWang05**. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for your generosity and kindness in supporting me.

Wow! Thank you so much for reading through my support letter and supporting me in any way you could! I don't know what I would do without you all! Feel free to contact me at jonathanywang05@gmail.com if you have any questions regarding my faith journey or EADS!

“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.”

1 Peter 2:9

El Amor del Señor. Let the love of the Lord embolden us.

In Christ,
Jonathan Wang