

# HISPANIC OUTREACH IN SIOUXLAND

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On March 16 we begin the third session of ESL classes in Sioux City and South Sioux City. We hope to continue serving the Hispanic community in this manner and use the classes as opportunities to sow the Word of God's love in Christ. A few students participate in the study of Jesus' life held once a week at each church after the ESL class. Also we have tried to offer a family Bible time on two different Saturday afternoons at each church. Few have come to these Saturday activities, but we will continue to seek how best to share the Gospel with the Hispanics whom we have met.

One of our ESL students has begun a program for the elderly Hispanics who live in the area. She offers classes on nutrition, exercise, and crafts along with a variety of other activities. The people are very responsive and thankful for these activities which help them to meet new people and to get out into the community. This student has asked us to help teach English as part of the program. Sharon Weber and I are presently teaching twice a week at the YMCA in South Sioux City before the exercise classes begin. We hope that this activity opens doors to meet and share God's Word with many other families.

Please pray that God continue to grant us opportunities to sow His Word and that He bless this labor with future fruits of faith. *"I [Paul] planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth"* 1 Corinthians 3:6-7.



Some of the ESL students with their teachers sharing a meal at the end of our winter ESL session



One of the Saturday afternoon activities where we studied the events of Holy Week