**Another Mission Partner: Costa Maya Ministries**

A Wisconsin couple has a summer home on the Yucatan Peninsula, about four hours south of Cancun. About ten years ago, they started sharing their faith others and a mission began. Two years ago, the mission called Pastor Martin Valleskey, formerly of St. Peters in Milwaukee, to serve as their missionary. God has blessed their efforts and they hope to add a second staff person. While this mission is part of our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, it is supported solely by mission partner congregations and individuals. Because of its proximity to Cancun and the inexpensive flights to that resort area, it is relatively easy to participate in short-term mission trips to Costa Maya. It is our prayer that St. Paul’s can develop a mission partner relationship with this new mission, providing financial and manpower support. We will welcome any gift you would like to give for this effort. Mark it Mexican Mission Partner. More information will be coming soon!

**Helping a Sister City in Puerto Rico**

Barranquitas, Puerto Rico, is the hometown of St. Paul’s member Diane Ludwig. This town is in the interior of the island and was recently ravaged by Hurricane Maria. Diane’s friends and family have already responded with a desire to help. St. Paul’s has agreed to gather funds that will be used for hurricane relief. Diane will use her friendship with the mayor of Barranquitas to direct our gifts to those in need. Who knows what might develop from this show of Christian love? Costa Maya Ministries began as the result of the devastation of Hurricane Dean, another category 5 storm, that struck the Yucatan Peninsula 10 years ago. May God produce another ministry opportunity in the midst of tragedy? Pray that it might be so. If you would like to give a gift for this effort, mark it clearly “Puerto Rico.”

**American based Volunteers Needed for a World Mission Opportunity**

Joy-Filled Children of the World (JCW) is an exciting and blooming ministry to Asian children.

JCW is looking for American volunteers to teach conversational English *from their own homes* to small groups of children. They have almost 50 small groups desiring to start the weekend of October 20 but desperately need more American volunteers.

The children have had at least 3 years of academic English, and this program engages them in conversation through Bible stories to help them develop their English speaking skills. Volunteers teach small classes (2-4 students, ages 9-16) which are hosted by a "local assistant teacher.” American volunteers teach via the internet one hour per week, with a total of 24 lessons between October and June.  You don't have to be a certified teacher or a master of English... just friendly, patient and mentoring.

More information is available at the Welcome Center or you may also contact Beth Radloff-Gove at [bethgove@gmail.com](mailto:bethgove@gmail.com) or (512) 762-3762.