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May the peace and joy of the Lord
be your portion this Festive Season

MEXICO

“In August 2011, *Children’s Hunger Fund* officially started a *Mercy Network* in Baja California, Mexico. For years we have been working with local churches that would come into the U.S. to pick up product from us and return to Mexico in order to



minister and address the physical and spiritual poverty in the country. With the blessing of local government, *CHF* has been traveling into Mexico and distributing directly to *Mercy Network Churches*.

These churches receive an allocated amount of boxes each month according to the number of families they serve. With the Food Pak they have the opportunity to visit a family at their home consistently, whether bi-weekly or every week for the purpose of sharing the gospel and at the same



time building relationships with these families and providing for their physical needs. All of these churches have identified families in need in their community, approaching them first and foremost with the purpose of sharing the good news of Christ, leading them to a saving knowledge of Him and teaching them to live a life of trust and dependence on God for their needs.”

The Food Pak box consists of a balance of healthy foods that these families can benefit from each week. Most of our boxes distributed in Mexico contain dried fruit and to a lesser extent the Soup mix. They have been a blessing in providing a

staple food item in our boxes. A Food Pak recipient from a church in Baja said, “God in heaven is seeing how you are helping me. I am going to eat better now. I am going to eat soup.” This complete resource; the box and what it contains, has an impact in ways that go beyond what we might think a food box might have due to the way it is distributed.



In addition to the Food Pak Program, we were able to distribute cases of Dried Fruit directly to local pastors to share. They would package the fruit and distribute it in the communities with the most need. Every partner in the *Children’s Hunger Fund Mercy Network* is trained and constantly encouraged to use every opportunity to share the gospel. A particularly impactful story was shared with us recently: “Fabian and his wife Karla have a family of 6 kids and a baby girl

on the way. They were struggling economically and going through a very difficult time due to Fabian’s addiction to drugs. During Christmas of 2011 they had no food and no gifts to give their children for Christmas. Fabian remembered that there was a church that distributed food to the community. On Sunday, December 12, 2011 he told his wife that if they go to church together he would not use drugs that day. They went to the special Christmas service that the church had that night and after hearing the gospel he made a

profession of faith and threw away the drugs he had and destroyed the needles he was using. A few hours later around midnight Monday morning he passed away. His wife Karla is a widow now and the church is caring for her and her family with the Food Paks.”

We found the Dried Fruit to be very effective in our ministry. It’s Durable, hearty and nutritious. The soup mix was also well received in Mexico.”

