



### Short-term and gaps

We receive both individuals and teams from several countries for short-term placements. Our purpose is to involve them in cross-cultural ministry and to instill a vision for world missions.



**WEC International** works in over 70 countries around the world, with the goal of evangelising its remaining unevangelised peoples as speedily as possible.

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### Opportunities

The harvest is plentiful ... *this* generation is ready to be reached for Christ. *This* generation is ready to be trained to reach others for Christ.

Who will help us to help them? Please pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out labourers into His harvest. Or come yourself!

We need:

- three 'personnel units' for church planting (one unit being a couple or two singles);
- three units to promote missions awareness and help train for missions;
- two units for our short-term ministry;
- two units for church development;
- four units for children's ministry and
- two units for the camp ministry.

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# Mexico

### Introduction

**Mexico is young!** Half the population is under 20 years of age. Alcoholism and drug addiction are serious problems for Mexico's youth.



**Mexico is spiritually hungry!** The Roman Catholic Church is highly syncretistic, incorporating many elements of ancient pagan religions. Today it is steadily losing adherents, with only 10 per cent being regular church-goers. Cults are very active. Many want to know what the Bible really says, and are open to study it.

**Mexico is turning to Christ!** After years of prayer and much sowing, many are entering the Kingdom of God. Yet much land still remains to be possessed. There are huge cities with relatively few churches, including Mexico City with over 20 million inhabitants. A number of people groups are still unreached,



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## Background cont.

without the Bible or a witness in their own language. Evil forces need to be broken in spiritually-barren areas.

The Church, with its great potential for sending out missionaries, needs to be stirred and given a vision for the world.



## Church-planting strategy

The evangelical church in Mexico is active and growing. Therefore our strategy since entering the country in 1992 has been to link up with existing local churches and develop a rapport with them. We want to assist, equip and challenge them in their task of evangelism, discipleship, church planting and world missions.

Some of us are already working with local churches in church planting projects. We anticipate adding to these

teams, or forming others in conjunction with national churches. We have had a church-planting team in Tepoztlán, a small town in Morelos which is an important New Age centre. A church has now been established there and is pastored by national believers. We are now looking to other unreached towns within Morelos.



## Church development

Most of the team are involved in some form of teaching or training in local churches. Some of our workers teach lay leaders and pastors in conjunction with a local Bible School. We have also formed an alliance with other groups working here to offer training courses to local churches.

## Bible camps

Thirty million people live within a 100-mile radius of Mexico City, but there are very few Bible camps to serve all the young people of the area. Our goal is to develop a campsite and other training facilities to serve the churches.

## Children's ministry

In conjunction with local churches, our children's team is doing Bible Clubs and training children's workers.

## Cross-cultural awareness

Courses to help churches become involved in world missions have been presented on several occasions and more are planned.

In cooperation with several Mexican organisations, we are helping pastors and churches to capture the vision of cross-cultural missions, to organise missions conferences, adopt-a-people projects and to prepare personnel for missionary service.

We send young Mexicans to other areas of the country to give them experience in short-term missions.

We now have a multi-ministry centre in Morelos called El Monte. As well as serving as a Christian camp and conference centre, and offering retreat facilities for Mexican pastors, the centre is being developed to offer cross-cultural missions training in both Spanish and English, and plan to see several Mexican sending agencies raised up.