

## Serving Others ... Together!

*But as for you, be strong and do not give up, for your work will be rewarded.” 2 Chronicles 15:20*

Dear Friends of LAMA/La Montaña

April 2024

As the Awareness/Short Term Teams/Intern Ministry Director for LAMA, I am excited to report to you that we have had quite the month of US teams serving in various projects at La Montaña. As mentioned in our last letter, in February we had two work teams of adults, families and students (60+ plus individuals!) who gave their time, talents, and treasures to serve the staff and worked on various projects.

March brought two more teams! One was a family serve team from the Front Range areas of Colorado, and the other was a HS team of 30+ from The King’s Academy in Sunnyvale, CA. The family team poured concrete for our lower pond and lined the creek bed with rock, applied gravel to our new low ropes course and painted various projects around our facilities. The family serve team was unique because parents brought their children of all ages ranging from 3 to 16, making this a true “vacation with a purpose!” What a joy it was to watch fathers and sons, moms and daughters serving together! As one parent wrote,

“This trip-serving/missions has been a dream come true and answer to prayer in that we have wanted to do something like this as a family – we came away feeling closer as a family and closer to Him”  
David & JoEllen, Ft. Collins, CO.

Next, we had a team of High School students who came on their spring break from Sunnyvale, CA. This group of juniors & seniors (all Spanish learning students) served in two camps, and also helped with the finishing touches to the pond and cabin painting projects. This team worked hard at serving others and jumped into tasks at a moment’s notice. As one student put it ...

“These past few days at La Montaña have been such an amazing experience. Not only has it shown me how God can work through me to help others, but it has also helped me to grow in my relationship with God.” Anjalia, Sunnyvale, CA

From Short Term Ministry Teams of moms, dads & their kids, to adult serving teams, and finally in the summer our Intern Ministry will be open for HS Grad through age 25 for 5 weeks. Our goal is to disciple people who disciple people. Why not pray about a group that you would like to bring, experience serving together and helping our ministry move forward so that we can continue to reach even more Latin American young people for Christ? Contact us now we will show you how easy it is to make that happen! You can contact me at [ray@lama4youth.org](mailto:ray@lama4youth.org).

From all of us at LAMA and La Montaña Christian Camps, thank you for your faithful prayers and generous support. God’s glory alone, with your help, the ministry has touched over 200,000 campers for the glory of God alone. We are partners in this effort, together with you, to serve Him alone.

So thankful each of you,

Ray and Marjie Schwartz

Joseph and Lori Pent

Manases Padilla and Ana Viera

Lincoln and Katie Brackett, missionary candidates.

***If you would like to make a donation toward the July 22-26 Bribri camp, the please log on to our website: [www.lama4youth.org/donate](http://www.lama4youth.org/donate) and select “send a kid to camp” and the amount of your gift. THANK YOU!***