



Project JOEL: Outreach to Youth

\$75,000

Central/South America

LWML shows God's love to youth in 10 countries in Central and South America by supporting Project Joel an outreach ministry of Lutheran Hour Ministries whose goal it is to equip youth with practical, biblically based information regarding drug and alcohol abuse, violence and promiscuity so they can confront their life's challenges with God's help.



Below: A martial arts program in Mexico is yielding positive results. This new Project JOEL outreach program, engages youth in marginal communities in Tijuana. They are invited to learn various martial arts disciplines at a local Lutheran congregation, where LHM staff also talks to the young people about what it means to have a healthy physical, emotional and spiritual life.



With consent from Panama's ministry of education, Project JOEL materials have been integrated into parts of the educational curriculum, particularly in the area of "Integral Prevention and Education in Values."

We pray together...

Oh Holy Spirit, thank You for the life-giving truth which You inspired the writers of Holy Scriptures to record for the benefit of all who read and study Your Word. Many of the youth of Central and South America, like those worldwide, face grave challenges in making life choices. Bless Project Joel as it seeks to give these young people the truth of Your Word to confront the challenges in their everyday lives. Assure them of forgiveness in Jesus and give them Your strength to live a life pleasing to God. May this program be a blessing to them and their families. In Christ's precious name we pray. Amen.

