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Daniel Cabrera is our new Manager of Promotion & Marketing. He graduated from our high school in 2004 and from Art Institute of California-Orange County in 2008. He is a godly young man and a great addition to our ministry team.

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“Like Fishing”

Damien had never been to camp before and it took some persuading to get him to leave his mother for a week. He had become protective of her since her and his father’s break up two years before. The sad dissolve occurred because of his dad’s drug addiction. Many parental arguments later, Damien was trapped between loving his lost father and standing with his hurting mother. Damien and his mother began coming to our church off and on soon afterwards.

We had known Damien’s dad for many years. He had been in our youth clubs, gone to summer camps with us and was a star baseball player on our league. It was sad to see him fall, and we did all we could to get him into a program, but he wouldn’t hear of it. Meanwhile, his son was behaving way beyond his years and seeking pastoral counseling from me after church services. He would come forward during prayer time, all on his own, and share his concerns for his father, his mother and himself. Eventually, he decided to tell his father how he felt. Two weeks later his father came to The Way Out Ministries for help, and Terryl got him an intake interview with the Salvation Army.

Damien’s dad had been in his rehabilitation program for several weeks and was doing very well when Damien was asked to go to camp. “My dad told me about camp”, he said. He thinks I should go but I don’t know.” When Damien saw his mom was okay with the idea and that I was going, he made his decision. Once he got there, he did everything with vigor! He jumped off the diving board; he went on the zip line, and he even went on the brave hike and became an “ultimate warrior”. He even caught two fish with a stick pole!



*Damien Duran...
“Fisherman”*

One night around the campfire, Ryan asked the children if they had learned anything at camp. Damien quickly raised his hand. “Being a Christian is like fishing”, he thoughtfully proclaimed. Ryan was stumped. He wondered how he would dig the little guy out of his

humiliation, but he clearly underestimated the little sage. “Being a Christian is like fishing ’cause it takes a long time to find God and when you do, you have to wait and be patient.” Damien is learning to wait on God and so is his daddy. Below is his daddy’s reflections:

Words can not express how grateful I am to have The Way Out Ministries in my life. Throughout my youth, I gathered a lot of great memories playing on the baseball team, participating in youth group, and going to summer camps.

I continue to grow in my faith everyday. Jesus’ has promised me that there is a great hope for my future. When things get tough in life, I rely on God. I know one thing for sure: you can’t think your way into better living; you must live your way into better thinking. Thanks be to God!

Jesse Duran Jr.

A new creation through Jesus Christ

God is doing a wonderful work in both Damien and Jesse’s lives. God is also working in Damien’s mother’s life as she is now studying the Bible and walking closer to Christ. Thank you for your continuing prayers and donations which help us to keep the doors of ministry open to them.

For your convenience in making contributions call 562.429.2397

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¡Si Se Puede!

Summer at The Way Out Ministries kicked off with an estimated 300 people from the community who enjoyed free hair cuts and styling, medical check ups, and a host of networking helps for families and individuals. People were also introduced to all the services and programs offered by The Way Out Ministries. This year, children also enjoyed



Heather Agurrie, R.N., and member of our church, The Gathering, gives blood pressure and diabetes tests for West Anaheim Medical Center at Si Se Puede.

exploring a police car, a fire truck and an ambulance.

A special thank you goes out to all of our volunteers who worked so hard and to the many who donated gifts, prizes and services for the event.

Zion Does Backyard Mission Trip

Youth leader, Ryan Bruce, is giving his youth group a mission trip to their own backyard! Zion Youth Group members will pay a fee to stay several nights in August at The Way Out Ministries and spend their days serving their city by feeding the homeless, helping the elderly, and evangelizing their community. Their missions experience will conclude with a large scale outreach which they named Zion Fest. A free Hip Hop/ Reggae music fest that will draw in many youth with free music, food and contests to hear the gospel presented. The group has already raised over \$500.00 for their "mission outreach" and plan to raise all the remaining money needed for the week of outreach. Their next car wash will be held July 31 at The Way Out Ministries from 9AM-1PM.



Zion kicks off the summer program with a time of worship on the back lot deck.

Can You Help?

Giving is way down this summer, and we are in great need to both finish out our summer ministry programs and to ready ourselves for the beginning of school in the Fall. Will you pray and see if God will lead you to make a donation above and beyond your usual giving? Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request.

Gary

Can You Help Us?

Financial Needs

Heater/ Air Conditioner replacement

Classroom A.....*Now Installed!*

Roof Repair.....*Repaired!*

● Signage: bulb replacement & Maintenance\$1,200.00

● 12 art desks/ partially funded....\$300.00

Volunteer Needs

● Construct outdoor cross for church

● Plumbing needs: kitchen & Bath

● School locker hardware repair and paint

● Drywall patch and paint

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Pictured on envelope cover:
Campers proudly display their warrior shields at camp this past June.