



## The Bonikowskys

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We enter the second quarter of the year with enthusiasm, joy, and hope for the ministry God has for us here. There is continued growth in many of the believers in the Esperanza Viva Baptist church. We are delighted to see a glimmer of leadership possibilities in some of our youth. Thank you for praying that the congregation will continue to give generously for the purchase of a building. Right now the balance is about \$27,000.

This year we are especially focusing on evangelistic work on the streets of one of our 13 target areas for future churches. Zumárraga and its surrounding towns are just 10 miles from our area, but in a different valley and existing as a totally independent community. Our son Danny is organizing weekly tract distribution on its streets, using some of the church youth as well as American mission teams that come our way. This picture was taken at a recent combined youth meeting with the Irun church. After prayer in the parking lot we headed out in four different groups with packs of Gospel literature.



Zumárraga project



The Power and Wisdom of God

Only God can take major setbacks and turn them into blessings for His children. Those of you who have followed the story of the huge landslides that poured onto Aierdi lands in 2003 and 2005 will remember how He brought us many blessings through it. The most recent happened in February when the provincial authorities came with a large backhoe to clean up the deteriorated initial trenches and then give us three full days of work on anything we wanted!

We had our first retreat for the youth enrolled in the EXAMPLES institute.

First EJEMPLOS retreat

Our missionary team came together to clean, cook, teach, and supervise the teens in an intense program of Bible teaching and competitions based on the Book of Daniel. Through a variety of competitions the youth earned points to win two major prizes (Matthew Henry commentary) and four secondary prizes (a book by Tozer). Praise the Lord for appreciable progress in training these leaders of tomorrow!



As always, thank you for your prayers and support.

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