

ACTS Church, San Miguel Village SWOT

October 2015

Strengths:

- *Angel & Juan stepped up leadership in VBS time on Wednesday.*
- *Improvements to the Clinic*
- *Community pitched in to help with water system, digging ditches (COCODE required it for getting Food Distribution.*
- *Scholarship students were prepared for retreat.*
- *High engagement level from everyone on the team*
- *Teachers in Preschool invited us into their classrooms.*
- *Preschool also preparing and giving out noodles with Incaparina*
- *Community Center improvements*
- *Easier to gain access to the Community Center for our activities*
- *Joel's organization, preparation and planning ahead for VBS time.*
- *Angel & Juan knew VBS students by name.*

Weaknesses:

- *Should have realized earlier that we should have relied on scholarship students, Angel & Juan to take a larger role in the VBS time.*
- *No participation from Julia/Church (should we have asked earlier?)*
- *No musical talent in our group*
- *Electricity to Community Center but not to classrooms (Juan Antonio confirmed later there is no cost to the village for power to the Community Center)*
- *73 kids out of Preschool due to chicken pox*

Opportunities:

- *More Church involvement (Pastor Julia was involved.)*
- *More direct communications with people in San Miguel for planning*
- *We can continue to stretch student leaders*
- *Potential learning from El Jute crafts; Ministry of Development*
- *Potential for women working together on something*
- *Can students take learning from retreat and replicate to other youth with our help?*

Threats:

- *Two years left in agreement; lots of questions*
- *Need to use time wisely*
- *Build transitions into the equation*
- *Craft opportunity; Best to work toward a cooperative effort with villagers.*
- *Another crop failure is causing despair.*
- *Lack of employment opportunities for students in village*
- *While improved, there is still some competition between local churches (Catholic vs Evangelical).*