



## DAY 14

### God is Already Here

*Acts 2:43-47 "All who believed were together ...the Lord added to their numbers those who were being saved."*

In February Dave and I made two trips to a migrant shelter in Nogales, Mexico called Casa De La Misericordia, House of Mercy, a trip we have been hoping for since last year. With the change in migrant policies set in place by the new administration, we really didn't know what to expect, but we were pretty sure our help would be needed.

What we found was a thriving community at Casa, one large family really, of humans working hard, caring for each other and creating a safe space for all. They didn't really need us. Of course we came with some building supplies and tools that helped get a few jobs done. We offered ourselves fully for any project, activity or event of the community, severely limited by our inability to speak Spanish. And they did the same for us, offering themselves to us that we might more fully come to know God's family.

I've been angry with God; no actually, God's people, Christians denying the humanity of others. But during our time at Casa, anger was not something I sensed or heard or felt. These people were full of hope, gratitude, joy, compassion and apparently, genuine trust in God's goodness. We played with happy children, eager to learn and laugh. We worked with patient people who never tired. And we spent a day baking bread; men chopping wood and women sharing endless stories and everyone breaking bread with gratitude.

Silly me. Not fully sure what I was thinking, maybe that Dave and I would be some sort of saviors in this community of great need. No, they already know The Savior and they are living their faith. They were just waiting for us to come so they could help us out.

**Gracious God, thank you for being everywhere already. Open our eyes that we may see You. Amen**

– Pam Auble