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Alma Gaxiola our Lay Missionary

Today we take you to Mexico where you meet Alma Gaxiola one of our Lay Missionaries.

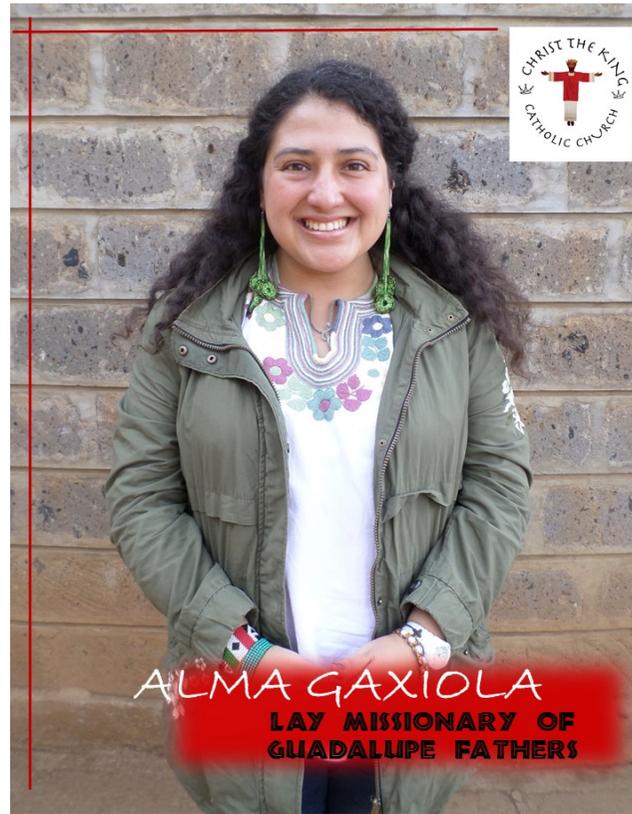
Hello, My name is Alma. I am from Durango, Mexico and I am 26 years old. As a graduate in Social Work field, God called me to serve him as a missionary in the Institute of Holy Mary of Guadalupe.

I'm doing my missionary experience in Kenya for four years. I arrived in Kenya two years ago thus in 13th September 2016. This is the day I am celebrating my 2nd year anniversary in Kenya.

The Lay Missionaries from Guadalupe Fathers are working in Kenya on a common project called "TALANTA ZETU" that means "Our Talents". Its objective is the Integral Women Development and the sustainable part of the project it's a Tailoring project called "Kibera Designers" and is located at Christ The King Parish in Kibera.

As missionary team, we collaborate in harmony togetherness and unity in offering workshop and seminars to women because we specifically dwell in African attires for women, Vitenge and khangas.

I'm really happy and sometimes, I can't believe how God guided my pathway here. I love God and I really enjoy loving him through the people I meet daily in the Parish in the slum of Kibera, mission in Maasai Land or wherever



He calls me to go I say "Lord I am here, send me and I will go". God has always manifested His love through the people of CTK. For sure they are heaven sent and am glad to be part of the family.

In December of 2017 our Parish Priest from invited me to join the "Pastoral Care" team as an apostolate. The pastoral is responsible of the sick people and also to attend the needy people in the parish, when he invited me to do that work, I said yes, because I would had the opportunity to be with the chosen ones of God.

Well, I had a lot of fears and challenges especially communication barrier, but God is always with me and with us. He never leave me alone because I find a loving caring team in each and every new job God asks me to do. I am always encouraged and strengthened because I am never alone. John Paul II said: "The needy and the sick people are fundamental part to renewed constantly spiritual energy and faith in the mission of Catholic Church". And I agree with him because this job has renewed me completely.

My social life is improving each and every day for meeting different people from different tribes, races and backgrounds. I am glad because I can speak Swahili, English and some vernacular basics. This is because of the people around me. God bless the people of Kenya and CTK family for their kindness and tenderness.

I always ask God everyday in prayers, that God, "Please do not let me to get away from you", and if He would call me for another mission or another place, I will still say "YES LORD I AM HERE, SEND ME AND I WILL GO".

The Almighty has done great things for me. Lk 1:49, I hope to correspond to His great love.