

Core Dance Studio

God's provision has, of course, prevailed as Core Dance Studio held its first performance on May 2nd! You may remember in our last newsletter we were praying for our own studio in El Paso. That prayer was answered when our studio was opened on February 28th of this year. Our primary focus has been to expand our ministries in New Mexico and Mexico to our own backyard. Downtown El Paso has proven to be the area to do this as we are also developing relationships with other local youth, elderly and church programs. Although Core Dance Studio has modest enrollment right now, the gift of reaching these few is invaluable. In fact, it has provided a way to teach dance in a more personable and fostering way that might not have been possible otherwise. We were so proud of our dancers as they performed at Life in Christ Filipino American Church on Saturday May 2. The evening included a worship dance piece accompanied by the reading of Psalm 1, a composition study, hip hop, and perhaps the most popular of all, our little worship students aged 4-7! We believe in their futures as highly sought-after dancers after seeing them do an encore performance to *Veggie Tales* music for one of the fathers that was running late. We were able to witness pure joy in their uninhibited dancing and it was a testament to our calling as instructors. We can only dream of what's to come-the community networking will provide a greater pool of student interest and we will be hosting our first summer intensive at Core Dance Studio in June. God is good and we are so thankful that He has used you to support our vision.

SERVING EMMANUEL BALLET ACADEMY

We celebrated International Dance Week in Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico with a dance performance



at the Centro Cultural Paso del Norte. 27 aspiring students from Emmanuel Ballet Academy in Juarez were invited as guests, along with Cor Ignis Dance Company members to watch the evenings' events.



KRWG TV produced a short documentary about the dance program that we offer for the kids at Emmanuel. You can watch the documentary online at www.krwg-tv.org



BALLET MAGNIFICAT

We were blessed to host Ballet Magnificat! for a second time in El Paso. This year the company was able to go into Juarez with us and give a Creative Worship class to the children at Emmanuel. A powerful drama where Jesus was shown changing the dancers' fear into hope and anger into joy, was deeply moving for the children and adults in the class. Afterwards the children had the opportunity to worship the Lord with dance and pray with the company members.



Wonderful families volunteered to be host homes for Ballet Magnificat! during their El Paso stay. We want to thank the Arras, Anderson, Austin, Arias, Reid, and Robles families for opening their homes and giving so graciously. "Deliver Us" an original ballet about the story of Moses was performed at Harvest Christian Center where over 400 people were able to see the Word through dance. We want to thank HCC for opening up their doors for this ministry and to all of the volunteers that made the ballet possible.

It was a pleasure working with Ballet Magnificat! They are truly inspiring in their faith and dedication to God's calling in their lives. Thank you dancers for sharing Jesus' love with the people of El Paso and Juarez! We miss you friends and you are in our prayers.

AUDITIONS

Interested or know anyone interested in joining Cor Ignis? We are now accepting new applicants for our 2009-2010 season. We are looking for both male & female dancers for the positions of company members, apprentices, and trainees. Auditions will be done by appointment or by video. Dancers will need a completed application form, photos, and prepared solo to audition. For more information or to schedule an audition please contact the Executive Director at chardie@corignis.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

We have been blessed with an eventful summer schedule.
We would love to see you at all our upcoming events!

RED & BLACK BALL

MAY 16th

at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
in Las Cruces, NM

As members of the Pan American Dance Institute, Cor Ignis has been invited to perform at this year's Red & Black Ball. An annual fundraising dinner which creates opportunity to bring in National/International dance companies to our community and youth programs. For ticket information Contact the PADI offices (575) 646-2070 or visit online www.nmsu.edu.

DANCE & FITNESS WORKSHOPS

JUNE 1st -3rd

in Lordsburg, NM

Cor Ignis will be offering a variety of dance workshops to the citizens in Lordsburg, NM. Classes will range from student dance classes in hip hop and modern dance to fitness classes for local adults. Cor Ignis is working with the Active & Alive Initiative and the Local Youth Coordinator in order to provide these workshops.

CORE KIDS SUMMER DANCE CAMP

JUNE 8th -12th 8 am – 5:30 pm

at Core Dance Studio in El Paso, TX

Cor Ignis will be hosting their first El Paso Summer Dance Camp for students **ages 7-13** with the theme **Love your Neighbor**. Students will participate in Improvisation, Modern, Ballet and Hip Hop techniques, while learning about the importance of caring for and serving others. Our week will conclude with a community service outreach and a performance for family and friends. Cost is \$150 for the full 5 day workshop, or \$100 for a 5 half-day option. Enrollment is limited to 15 students. For more information or to register for this workshop please Call Core Dance studio 915-351-2224 or e-mail chardie@corignis.org



Core Dance Studio Students at May 2 performance

CHOREOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

WITH GUEST ARTISTS:

DR. DEBRA KNAPP & SOLE CREATIONS

JUNE 15th – 19th 10:00am – 3:00pm

at Core Dance Studio in El Paso, TX

We will open up our studio for this one week workshop, which will focus on choreographic concepts in the morning technique class and then build on those concepts by learning a piece of choreography in the afternoon repertory class, which will be performed at the end of the week with an informal showing at the International Museum of Art in El Paso, TX. Cost for the 5 day workshop is \$100. Enrollment is limited to 15 students. For more information or to register for this workshop please call PADI offices (575) 646-2070 or visit online www.nmsu.edu.

COR IGNIS SUMMER DANCE INTENSIVE

JUNE 21st – 26th

at Emmanuel Ballet Academy in Juarez, Mexico

Cor Ignis will be giving its 4th annual 1 week dance intensive at Emmanuel Ministries. Daily technique classes include ballet, modern, jazz, pointe, and creative worship. Students will learn dances that will be performed at outreaches throughout the week as well as at the end of the week concert. Guest Artists will share their testimonies, inspiring students in the daily devotionals. Registration Fee \$20 before June 1st, \$30 after June 1st. Tuition Only \$250, Tuition, Food, & Lodging \$500 (This includes transportation to and from the El Paso, TX airport). For more information visit the Emmanuel webpage: www.emmanuelgo.org

PRAISE AND PRAYER CORNER

- ✦ We have concluded our first semester of teaching for Gadsden schools, and it has truly been a blessing for us. Please pray that more work with this school district will be available in the Fall.
- ✦ Summer Plans: Cor Ignis will be taking a break from our regular training & teaching schedule in July to focus on Fundraising & Sponsorship. Please pray that God will provide new sources of income for the work we are doing.

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