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## Work Team From Immanuel Lutheran Church of Centralia Washington



### GIVING THANKS

by Mary Frenter

For our WWH2H board of directors, this has been a challenging fall. Our son-in-law went home to be with Jesus on Veteran's Day. We rejoice that he is no longer suffering. Several families in our church

family have suffered losses this fall that touch us all. Two have had family members murdered. In October, just before Vice President Joel Olsen and his wife Annette and I were to leave for the Conference on Honduras, their son, Alex, was in a tragic accident where one of his lifelong friends was killed. Their son is ok, but of course devastated with the loss. Olsen's did not go with me to the conference as planned. Instead, two of our Honduran Board of Directors, Douglass Urutia and Rafael Valle, Amy and Oscar and I went. It was held in Copan near the Mayan ruins, a beautiful place. We made many important

contacts at this networking conference that will benefit this ministry now and in the future.

I met Washington State Senator Pam Roach, and four others who are working in Honduras from here. We may be able to partner with her to send a container to Honduras in 2006. We met the daughter of the President of Honduras, who may be able to help us with preschool materials and a teacher for our little guys. And so many more. It was well worth the time, effort and funds to attend! I am hoping to be able to go again next year. We were among the presenters this year and probably will be again next year. There were representatives from ministries we may be able to help as well.

So many wonderful things are happening with our current Children's Village family. All of our children completed this school year with good grades. I was there on the last day of school when they proudly came home to show off their report cards!! Josue was given a special plaque for having the best grades in the whole school!! We are so proud of all of them. Most of them had never been to school before we took them in. While education in Honduras claims to be "public", students must pay for all their supplies, uniforms and school fees. Several have completed two or three grades in one year. Our older boys are beginning to realize they have a great future to become whatever they choose. One told me he wants to be a pediatrician, one wants to be an engineer, one wants to be a mechanic, one, a teacher. All have a heart for the children still on the streets and are hoping to develop a ministry of helps to the children living at the dump in Puerto Cortes.

As this ministry grows, so do our needs for more monthly support. Currently, we are praying for God to bless us with additional funds to make it through the next 2 months. We have added expenses with the new children. We also need extra funds to provide Christmas gifts for our children. Our need is for \$3000 extra for November/December. Please let our need be known to your family and friends who may be able to bless this ministry. Thank you for your continued prayer and support on behalf of our children in this ministry now and in the future.

## **Technical School Report from Honduras**

**by Oscar and Amy Serrano**



As many of you already know the school year in Honduras runs from February to November, which means the school year has just ended. This is how the collages, universities and Technical training institutes run as well. As many of you also know, we are building a Technical School on the property in Tegucigalpa. The vision of this Tech school is this. All of these children though their stories are completely unique came from one common circumstance, hopelessness. In a country like Honduras jobs are scarce. Even educated people struggle to find work. Children growing up on the streets have only a life in gangs and crime ahead of them. It is imperative that we give them a fighting chance.

Now is the time. Our older boys are turning 18 with in the next months. It's time to prepare them for a future as productive members of society. The technical school building now sits about 85% complete. It needs a floor, the door and bathrooms. We will need another \$6000.00 for equipment to make it operational. We are hoping to raise this money within the next two months to have it ready for the traditional February registration.

The vision is to serve the Tegucigalpa community as well, by allowing the most needy of this small village to attend the tech school with our children. Our Children's Village homes are not filled to capacity because of a lack of monthly support. However, we cannot allow our current children's training needs to go unattended. as we sit and wait for monthly funds to generate for children that have not yet entered our program. Those who are with us are our responsibility before God to prepare for life outside of the children's home.

We ask you to prayerfully consider what God would have you do in giving to this project. We are asking for churches, individuals and organizations to come along side as sponsors. We also ask that you would all keep this project in your prayers and to make this request known to your friends, families and churches. Thank you all for all of the love and support that you have given us through out the years. Your prayer and financial support have sustained this ministry. God Bless you.

## **Fall Report**

**By Amy Serrano**

It has been wonderful to be back home in Honduras. We have had stormy but cool weather since we have been back. We came back to Honduras to find wonderful additions to the complex. The Technical School building was about 70% completed thanks to our friends at Mercyships. All the children were so happy to see us again. They have been doing very well. As many of you know our 3 older boys, Norman, Josue and Eduardo have skipped two grades in the year. Last year they were in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade but they worked hard during their break and started this year in the 6<sup>th</sup>. They admit that it was a challenge, but we are proud to announce that they will all be going to 7<sup>th</sup> grade next year. We should all be proud of these young men who, for the first time in their lives, are actually proud of themselves. One of the boys, Josue, received an award for having the top grades in the whole school.

We were happy to have our President, Mary Frenter, come and visit us. We spent 3 days in the beautiful village of Copan for the annual Conference on Honduras. All of the ministries and organizations that work in Honduras meet once a year to discuss networking. We meet many wonderful people and groups doing much of the same work as we are. We made many divinely appointed contacts, and learned ways to improve on what we are doing.

As soon as we returned we greeted the next group to arrive, a construction group from the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Centralia. They came down for one week and accomplished the work of a month. They completed the roof of the Technical School Building and most of the electrical work. Their last days of leisure were unfortunately ruined by Hurricane Beta, but the weather that we had during the construction was amazingly cool and sunny. We also had the pleasure of getting to know a wonderful young man, Lon Eldridge, from Spring City, Tennessee. He was with us until the 19<sup>th</sup> of November. He is a musician and was teaching music and English to the children. We thank him for his sacrifice in coming to Honduras.

The past weekend was houseparents Guadalupe and Myra's weekend off, as they have one per month. So we brought the children to our house in Puerto Cortes. I had a wonderful time making all kinds of treats for them. We took them to Wendy's where some of them played for the first time on the playground and had ice cream. The next day we took them to the beach. I think that the children finally feel like they have a family.

We have been very blessed by the village of Tegucigalpa. They do not have much, but they do all that they can to show us gratitude for what we do for the community. This month we were blessed with the donation of 200 trees. They are all different types. There are beautiful wood trees such as Laurel and Honduran Mahogany. There are also various fruit trees like lemon, orange, avocado and mango trees. Imagine all the mango and avocado you can eat! This is also a wonderful project for our kids. Oscar offered to pay them 3 Lempira ( about 18 cents) per tree for planting them. They also gave us palm trees that are just beautiful for landscaping. The kids are getting excited about making their home beautiful. The kids had all the trees planted in 4 days.

Another blessing came in the form of land fill. 20 truck loads of fill were donated to us! It will fill in the area between the tech school and the main building. No more "swimming pool" when the rains hit hard. The flooding was pretty bad with the last "Tropical Storm Gamma". There was flooding everywhere and many land slides. We are all ok and so is our Children's Village. Thank you, Jesus!!

As this goes to press, we are hosting a wonderful team from Touch of Hope in Longview, Washington. They have brought hope to over 100 children by providing them with clothing and supplies to go to school in Feb. More on this in the December Newsletter. We feel very blessed to be here serving the Lord in this way. We ask for your continued prayers for this important ministry. If you or your church would be willing to hold a fund raiser for WWH2H, please contact me right away so we can schedule it. Thank you!!

### **BOOKS IN SPANISH NEEDED**

We are planning to send a container in 2006 to Honduras. We hope to send many children's and teen books and games in Spanish for our Village library. If you are interested in helping us with this project, please contact me at 509-427-8585 or [maryf@wwh2h.org](mailto:maryf@wwh2h.org). Thanks!!

### **INTRODUCING....DANIEL!**

We would like to announce the arrival of Daniel, the newest child to join our family. He is Marlon's brother. He is 7 years old and needs sponsors to help him live in our village. If you are able to help with his monthly sponsorship, please contact us at 509-427-8585 or [maryf@wwh2h.org](mailto:maryf@wwh2h.org). Thank you!!

## MEDICAL TEAM CHANGES

In 2006, our Med Team from Washington will take a break. They will return to Honduras in 2007. We appreciate this wonderful, gifted group of people and thank them for the great gift of time and talent they have donated in the past two years. We look forward to the 2007 team.

## VBS TEAM SLATED TO GO TO HONDURAS

Please keep our VBS team in your prayers as they complete their preparations to go to Honduras in late January.

## CHRISTMAS FUNDS NEEDED TO BLESS OUR KIDS

We are asking all of you to help us give our children a nice Christmas. We hope to give each child a new set of cloths and a toy. If you can donate funds to help with this expense, we would appreciate it so much. Thanks! Please send your checks to WWH2H, Box 372, Carson, WA 98610.

## MONTHLY SUPPORTERS NEEDED FOR OUR CHILDREN

We still need more monthly supporters for our children. We have one more child, Daniel, who just joined us and there are three more who may be coming soon. Please remember our kids in your prayers and in your giving. Thank you!!



Al and Joanne Swedberg with Nelson



Dave Scherer with Cesar and Marvin

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