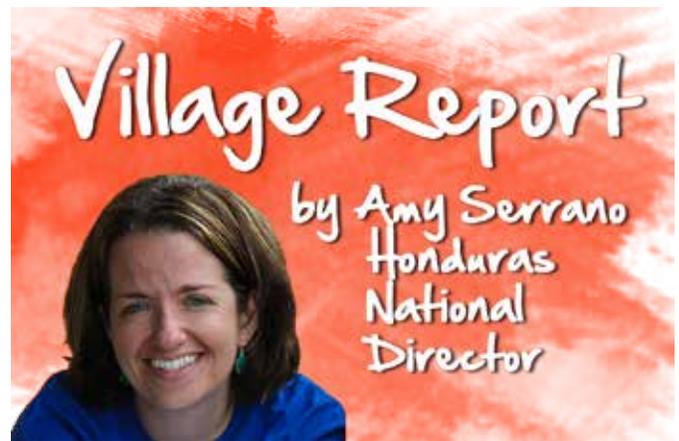


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*"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows."*

*II Corinthians 1:3-5*

## THE MIRACLE OF MEDICAL TEAMS!

**W**e want to say a very special thanks to our 2014 Medical/Dental team. As always it has been tiring, challenging and wonderful in so many ways. I must start by telling you that more than 50 people have prayed with us to receive Jesus so far this week. We started the week off in Concepcion Del Sur, a small mountain village that has



donated land to H2H and has opened their arms wide to invite our ministry into the town. The mayor has become a close personal friend, and has a true heart for his community.

The team saw nearly 300 patients in a day and a half of clinics. We set up in an old abandoned medical clinic that worked perfectly for us. The town organized ahead of us for several weeks, signing up people to be seen. Many of those that came walked several hours to be there that day. We were blessed by the presences of several Honduran doctors that worked alongside us in this brigade. Overall

many lives were touched.

On Saturday the team had the privilege of being invited to serve the children of the public orphanage in San Pedro Sula. Many of these kids have physical and mental challenges.

**I** am so proud of the hard work and sacrifice that this team has endured all for the



love of Christ and His Children. This team persevered in spite of challenges that began with the ride from the airport when the trailer's tires blew out and the team had to sit around in Pizza Hut for several hours while they were being fixed. We had challenges with medications, vehicle problems and sickness; however the team counted it all joy and a privilege to serve.

One of the greatest blessings for me, was the opportunity for our kids to join us in ministering. Each day we brought different kids from the village to translate for us. I can't tell you how awesome it was to watch them blossom! Each one took the task at hand very seriously and was tremendously helpful. What's more was we were able to show them how to evangelize. They helped prayed for and explained salvation to each patient we saw.

I have asked two of our daughters to share a bit of what they felt and experienced this week:

## Dilcia - 15 years old



My job at the medical team was to hand out vitamins and parasite meds, as well as translate for the doctor. I liked working with the doctor best. I liked it because I could tell people what their sickness was and how they could get help. I liked being part of the medical team because I felt like I learned a lot about different sicknesses and what to do. One of the best parts of



the day for me was helping to do ear lavages. I liked this because the person came in sick and left cured. I am so thankful to the doctors that came to help Honduras.

## Marisol - 15 years old



The day was perfect. I liked being part of triage; I was able to talk to each person about why they were coming to the doctor. It was a great experience. Helping others feels great. I would love to translate for other medical groups, they are a great help to Honduras.



So, I want to thank this medical team for coming to our country and helping the poorest of the poor and loving the least of these, but I also want to thank them for opening the way for our kids to be used by God! That is priceless, and we can never repay you for that. Thank you so much for each member of this amazing team, may God richly bless you lives! *With love, Amy Serrano*

Hello from beautiful Honduras. I moved here in mid-January to help with our school. What an amazing place it is!!

The children bring so much joy to all of us. Our staff consists of God's most gifted, loving people in the world! This ministry and all our children are so blessed to have them in their lives.



From the  
President's  
Desk  
by Mary Frenter



Today I got to help in Ms Brenda's kindergarten where our son, Sammy, who is always thrilled about everything, was so proud to show off his work to me. On Valentine's Day he made several of us Heart Hats to wear. He had a blue one on, and a peach heart hanging from his nose. He is a delight!!

I also got to help in Ms Mercedes' 5-6 grade. In the afternoon the most beautiful picture was Mercedes sitting on the floor with her class playing a game, while Elana sat behind her French braiding her hair. Her kids absolutely love her and she is doing a superb job of teaching, oh, sooo much more than just "book learnin".

Later, while tears streamed down my face, Paola, one of our 10th graders, recited the whole of Psalm 139 to me, the required memorization for this month, without missing a beat. All of our teachers and monitors give their hearts to these kids every moment of every day. And then, if that is not enough, they spend most weekends at

the village ministering Jesus to them again. They and all our staff are making wonderful memories for these children to enjoy the rest of their lives. I am so blessed and honored to get to be part of this place.

On Saturday, several of our volunteer teachers went with us on the Medical Dental team that is here now, lead by Mary Renner. What special, hand chosen people God brought here to be His hands and feet to the hurting. We visited Nueva Esperanza, the state run orphanage in Puerto Cortes, where things have improved markedly since my last visit. One room houses the severely mentally handicapped. Team member Kay Wenkler and friend Jane Beaston, spent the majority of their time ministering to these beloved of Jesus children, feeding them, playing with them, giving them precious moments of sweet memories. They are my heroes!! Thank you, ladies!!

And then there was Sunday Service when our beautiful daughter, Nora got up and blessed us with her beautiful voice, singing praises to our Jesus! Those of you who know this 14 year old survivor appreciate just what a miracle this was!!

Please pray for us as we finish out the school year. Please pray for the teams still to come this year, at least one each month. Please pray for more workers for the abundant harvest that is here, ripe for the picking. We need more long term volunteers for the village, for the school. Come and see what the Lord is doing for His Kids here. God is truly creating "the most beautiful of Jewels" from the lives of these, His chosen ones. (Ezekiel 16:25)



**Nora - 15 years old**

## Teachers NEEDED!

We continue to look for people who are interested in volunteering for a minimum of 1-2 years in Honduras. We are looking for individuals who love the Lord and children, have a teachable spirit, and are team players. You do not need a US teaching certificate to teach the ACE curriculum. However, we will conduct training for you to use this curriculum, classroom management and the Love and Logic method of discipline. We will help you organize your yearly plans and set up your classrooms. While room and board will be provided, each will need to raise your own support for additional funds to cover airfare, Residency Cards, and personal items. Please contact Mary Frenter at [MaryF@h2hcv.org](mailto:MaryF@h2hcv.org)

### **Please join us in daily prayer:**

1. For God's covering and guidance for our children, our workers, our supporters, our leadership, our families
2. For workers for the harvest (teachers, long and short-term volunteers)
3. For continuing and increasing financial support to care for all God has provided and to move into His future plans for this work as we show ourselves worthy of His trust to do so.



# Writing Letters to the kids

By Lisa Closner  
LisaC@H2Hciv.org



Corresponding with a child is fun and rewarding for both the child and you! We have seen wonderful relationships develop between sponsors and their children through regular letter writing. Our children are learning English rapidly and enjoy receiving letters in their new language. Letters are exchanged 3-4 times a year.

## Letterwriting Tips:

- Tell about yourself, your family and your interests
- Speak encouragement into your child's life. Let your child know you pray for them.
- Send photos of yourself, family, friends and pets.
- Keep letters simple and one page.
- Put your letter in an envelope but do not seal it!
- You can find more detailed information at:  
<http://h2hcv.org/get-involved/#corresponding>



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Send to:  
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Clackamas, OR  
97015**



# Gift Giving

By Lisa Closner  
LisaC@H2Hcv.org

Giving birthday and Christmas gifts to a Heart to Heart child is easy and very rewarding. Remembering a child on his/her birthday enhances your relationship and is another way to show you care. You don't have to be sponsoring a specific child to help with birthdays. With 93 children being celebrated through the year, we are always in need of gifts!



## Gift Giving Tips:

- Choose gifts that are small in size and weight as all presents go in suitcases with teams.
- Do not wrap your gift! Send a gift bag, tissue and a signed card with a photo in it.
- Send gifts early to assure it gets to your child by the quarterly birthday celebration.
- Christmas gifts can be sent any time of the year. The earlier the better!!
- Consider sending a cash gift for children without sponsors and we can shop for them!
- For more detailed information about giving gifts and gift ideas go to:  
<http://h2hcv.org/get-involved/#giving-gifts>



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# Jordan 's Blog

We are all blessed to catch glimpses of God's love story unravelling around us everyday. Some days we don't understand why we get to experience the things we do. There are moments of extreme difficulty, then suddenly, unfathomable joy. Each person God places before us is in the midst of their own story. We may not know where they are at in their journey, but in a moment, we become part of their story too.



Sometimes it is in these glimpses that we catch the best picture of God's heart for his children. We see how He longs for each of us and the love He has poured out on all of us.

Paul wrote:

"Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ. (What pleasure he took in planning this!)" (Ephesians 1:4-6 The Message)

This week, all the teachers from Heart to Heart travelled to Nueva Esperanza (a Honduran state run orphanage/temporary transfer house). Each one of us caught glimpses of God's heart for the children we encountered. Despite the horrible chapters in each of these young lives, I was reminded that God has not forgotten them. I trust that God is revealing His love story to each of them. Maybe we got to play a small part in showing them God's love. Undoubtedly, they all reminded us of the simple joy in loving one of God's children.

**Read the rest of this blog on [www.jordanrinta.wordpress.com/](http://www.jordanrinta.wordpress.com/)**

## About Jordan

Jordan Rinta is one of our core teachers in Hondrus and has been teaching at our school for 2 years. In his words: "I'm in Honduras most simply because I believe Jesus asked me to go there. I'm sure there are many reasons for this. However, I believe one of the main reasons I'm in Honduras is to invest in many young lives who will one day help shape their nation."



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# March Birthdays



**Alberto - 17**



**Ana - 12**



**Darwin - 8**



**Freddy - 11**



**Nahun - 15**

All the children are growing fast! We celebrate birthdays on a quarterly basis and you have an opportunity to mail a card and/or a gift if you like.

Please see [www. http://h2hcv.org/get-involved/#giving-gifts](http://h2hcv.org/get-involved/#giving-gifts) to learn more. As you are reading this, would you please consider sponsoring a child this next year? \$50/month goes a long way and we need you!

# H2H UPCOMING VOLUNTEER TEAMS FOR 2014

Below is a list of upcoming teams who will be going to our village to help in many ways. If you are interested in going, please contact the team leader listed for each team or KimS@h2hcv.org! Join us!

**March 29-April 5 – Optometry Team:** Gary & Sylvia Thacker

**April 5-12 – Aquaponics Team:** Scott & Lisa Closner (LisaC@H2Hcv.org)

**May 14-26 - Crusade team:** (KimS@h2hcv.org)

**June 15-25 – Maintenance Team:** KimS@h2hcv.org

**July 9-19 – H2H Vacation Bible School:** MaryF@h2hcv.org

**August TBA – Soccer & Maintenance:** Kim & Rick Stephens (KimS@h2hcv.org)

**Oct TBA – Gary & Sylvia Thacker**

**Nov 13-22 – Christmas Prep:** Kim & Rick Stephens (KimS@h2hcv.org)

See rest of year on our website!



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- > We view contributions as a sacred trust, accountable to God and to you for their use.
- > We use all contributions as designated by our donors, and return or transfer monies to a related fund if a project is overfunded.
- > We use contributions to support the Children's Village home and mission outreach activities in Honduras.
- > A very small percentage of money is used for printing and postage costs.
- > Staff in Honduras receive salary and benefits. All U.S. board members and staff are volunteers.
- > We send year-end tax statements to donors for all monetary gifts given to H2HCV.
- > Please visit our website for more information about the children we serve, our history, and our mission.

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