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Santiago, age 5 enjoys the
beginning of summer
with a hammock!



"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

SUMMER VACATION!

It's official; we are on vacation!! June 6th, school let out with a bang, ending this amazing school year! The kids and this ministry have grown so much! But hallelujah, it is now the start of summer which began with the arrival of our first summer team, 20 strong, from the Bethel Church in Washington. They are on fire for the project they are doing; one near and dear to our... ahem... "hearts".. toilets! This team is replacing all the old toilets, sinks and showers at the Village. They are also painting the Boys' House, with the help of the boys, of course, putting in a brand new sound system at church, doing arts and crafts with the kids, second quarter birthdays, sorting clothing and donations, and letter writing! We are so thankful for this wonderful team. Your presence is always a joy!

AQUAPONICS TRAINING



We have been tremendously blessed yet again, by the help of two great friends of this ministry, Tim and Deanne Converse. They came back to Honduras at the end of last month and stayed two weeks,

training our sons, Denis and Juan, how to be Aquaponics



specialists. The boys learned the science of the system, the dangers to the system and how to protect it, and ways to produce sufficient produce for our entire village. Tim and Deanne not only love the garden; they love the kids! Now the garden is on its way to fulfilling the vision of providing our kids with an abundance of fresh fruits, veggies and fish. Thank you so much to everyone who worked for this; in the end it will mean good health to generations of kids.

The last day of school was bittersweet, with a mix of smiles and tears. The kids hugged us as they walked out the door, saying, "I can't wait for August 25", which will be the first day of school next year. That's the beauty of it; it's really like a family. For the last 10 months, we have had a wonderful team of volunteer and Honduran teachers who have been family, as well as instructors to the kids. By their efforts, the school became a wonderful spirit-filled environment. Though there were challenges, God was faithful through it all. Thank you so much to everyone who helped make this school happen! Your work is a beautiful fragrance to the Lord.

SUMMER CAMP IN FULL SWING

Now we are in the next phase of our year, the grand opening of our first Village Summer Camp program!



Today, the Bethel team worked with our kids painting the Boys' House, and then we were on to crafts. Later today, Fredy, our Summer Program Director,

will teach the kids about good sportsmanship and

basketball. This summer is going to be packed with awesomeness. We have several outings planned to local rivers, beaches, water parks and a trip to the movie theater in San Pedro Sula. In addition there will be music classes, art, agriculture projects and many other cool things for the kids to do.

DAVID HAS A NEW HOME!

We are celebrating this month with the Bardal Family of Castle Rock, Washington who, after 3 years of battling, have brought their son, David, home! WWH2H has never been an adoption organization with intentions of adopting kids out; our desire is to raise them to be good Christian Honduran citizens. However, as God often does, He made something amazing out of tragedy. David Amaya was 4 years old when he and his two brothers came to live at the village. Their father was an alcoholic who died 3 months after they arrived. Their mother was a prostitute who abandoned them shortly after David was born. David was born with a club foot, and through the grace of God was able to have that corrected through Shriners' Hospital of Portland, Oregon.



The Bardal Family and newly adopted son David

Denise Bardal had been to Honduras on a team just a few months prior and was made aware of his trip to the states. She and husband Arnie opened their home for him to stay while he had his surgeries. The result was that the Bardals fell in love David and he with them. They let us know within months of their hosting David in their home, that they would like to adopt him. That was 7 long years ago, but today, praise the Lord, he is legally Jose David Amaya Bardal! Congratulations to this new family, it has been a long road, but now he is home!

*Have a great July!
With love, Amy Serrano*

Summer is Here!

“Happy July 4th to everyone!! June was filled with hellos to teams visiting from the US, and good byes to many of our long term volunteer teachers headed back to the states, some who will return for the new school year, and some who will not.



I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of them for the blessing they have been to our children and us, in and out of school. Each of you has invested in Kingdom work that will produce amazing fruit now and in the future. You have all listened to God and have gone above and beyond the call of duty in this place. Thank you, Sarah, Jordan, Mikaela, Mercedes, Abby, David, Bethany, G, Alana, and Beka!! Blessings to each of you as you go forward with the plans God has for your life. Hope to see you all at Christmas, if not before.

It was sad to say good bye to our students for this year, but most will return in August for the 2014-15 school year. We are already beginning the maintenance and repairs to our campus to be ready for them. We had spectacular “graduation” dinner ceremonies for both our Prepa and Kinder classes. Thank you to teachers Miss Brenda and Miss Linda for all your hard work to make this happen!!

Please pray with us as we listen to God for the next plans He has in mind for this WWH2H of His. As always, pray for more workers for the harvest and the funding to support it.

I look forward to our July VBS team of 11 that will minister to almost 700 children in 3 two day VBS programs in 3 different locations. Please cover us in prayer July 9-19 for protection and power to accomplish all God has shown us to do.

With love, Mary Frenter

2014-2015 School Teachers & Volunteers **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

HELP!!!!



Contact LisaC@h2hcv.org

We will not have a container this summer so we need the following items that can be taken with teams to Honduras and/or the funds to purchase them there.

- New/gently used: Clothing, shoes, sandals, flipflops.
- NEW underwear, bras, socks
- School supplies
- Washers, dryers (money donated towards)
- Kitchen Supplies: Large/sturdy pots, pans, baking pans, utensils, blenders, microwaves, towels, hot pads, dish rags
- Bedding: twin bed sheets, pillows, pillow cases
- Linens: bath towels
- Funds to hire someone to make the drapes for our classrooms.
- Mattresses (money donated towards)
- Student chairs (money donated towards)

Spotlight on the Kids

Continuing this month, we are giving you some insights about some of our children so you can learn more about them, highlight their accomplishments and successes as the Lord moves them along the path of their lives.



Julio

Larger than life, those are the words that could be used to describe our boy Julio. He is funny, active, athletic, and a bit hyper with a huge personality. He is an amazingly talented young soccer player! But underneath all of that is an amazing human being. Julio is 14 years old and refuses to speak to “gringos” in any other language but English.

His life however, has been anything but easy; he lived for a long time in the state run orphanage of IHNFA. He was put into state custody with his two brothers and two sisters after his mother was arrested. Beforehand Julio was raised in the hard neighborhoods where gang life was glorified. Julio learned toughness, anger and violence. But in the end something amazing happened, Jesus found Julio and in Julio he found a young man that is ready to live for Him larger than life.

“I would like to be a futbol (soccer) player when I grow up; if that doesn’t work I want to be a fireman. My favorite part about school is the fact that I get to learn lots of English and that is my favorite class along with science. I would really love if all the people that pray for us and support us could come to Honduras and I could meet them

and they could meet me. Here at the village my best friend is my brother Kevin. I feel very cared for here. I have learned a lot. I want to help the poor people of Honduras by teaching them about Jesus.”

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Katherine

She was born into gang life. Her mother and Father were high profile gang leaders. When her parents realized how dangerous their life was for their little girl, her father had a plan. He took his little girl to a local fast food restaurant for lunch. He told her to wait at her seat while he went to order food, so there she waited at 6 years old. Minutes turned into hours as she sat in her seat looking out the window wondering where her dad was. At closing time the manager noticed that she had been there alone for several hours and called the authorities. Katherine was sent to a state run orphanage and then in 2007 she came to us.

Katherine is now 19 years old and in her last year of High School. She wants to be a pediatrician one day. Katherine has decided that though she lost her real family, God has given her another one. This summer she will spend her vacation with a family in the US.



"I want to be a pediatrician because I love kids. I think the kids at the village are my biggest inspiration, I love them so much. I want to be able to help other kids that are alone like I was. I lost my family and I hope to find them someday, but God has given me more mothers, fathers and brothers and sisters. Maybe if I had not had the misfortune I had with my real family I would have never had the chance to meet my H2H family. I think that the volunteers that come from the US have made a huge difference in the lives of the kids. I am so thank to all the wonderful people that love me and pray for me each day."



Walter

Walter came to us because he was in the care of his elderly grandmother who could no longer take care of him. With not much supervision Walter began to go out into the streets and become involved with the gangs. Just recently he came to us crying. He told us that all he wanted to do was meet his mother. His abusive father chased his mother away when he was a baby, but his aunt told him she may have some information about where she is. So we told him that we will do all that we can to make their reunion happen. Currently we are chasing a few leads and think we may have found where she is. Walter is beyond excited about the possibility of being able to soon meet his birth mother.

"I would like to be a soccer player or a lawyer. One of my favorite parts of living at the H2H village is learning English and having a lot of opportunities to be better. I want to spend my life somehow on helping the poor people of my country. I also really like science it is my favorite subject in school. My favorite sport is soccer and my favorite team is Real Madrid. I would love to go to the US one day and meet all the people that have prayed for me for many years."

Bright stars in the Honduran Future!



The Kinder Graduation for MFBS was presented on June 13th to a gathering of proud parents and relatives. The children were “dressed to the nines”, performed for their families, and a lovely meal was served. Thank you to their teachers, Miss Linda and Miss Heidi, for the amazing job they did to make this evening a night to remember.



Worldwide Heart to Heart Kindergarten Graduation - June 2014



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note!**

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July Birthdays



Daniel H - 8



**Feliz
Cumpleaños**



Fernando - 15



Enrique - 18



Jafet - 10

**Feliz
Cumpleaños**



Marbella - 11

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!

July 9-19 – H2H Vacation Bible School

MaryF@h2hcv.org

August 16-26 – Soccer & Maintenance: Kim & Rick Stephens
(KimS@h2hcv.org)

Oct 16-25 – School Support
Gary & Sylvia Thacker
(KimS@h2hcv.org)

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

See rest of year on our website!



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