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Today is September 27th as I begin this October newsletter. It has been 196 days since Covid came to call in Honduras, shutting down the already challenging way of life for this second poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, next to Haiti. As in many places in the world, we have had to learn new ways to get around, to shop, to go to the doctor, to have school, to have church, to communicate, to behave.

Since March 13, 2020, the whole country of Honduras has been in quarantine. That means martial law, with enforced curfews, with restrictions on movement, with violators being arrested and fined. Along with businesses, schools and churches have also been closed. We are continually stopped by machine gun armed soldiers at multiple check points all along the major highway that leads to the dirt roads into the jungle, where we travel to deliver the Word and food. There, we find people, not only physically hungry, but spiritually hungry for the Word, for worship, and for fellowship.

Some of our school and church families have been sick with Covid and needed financial assistance for extremely expensive treatments. Some died, in spite of our financial and prayerful efforts to help. God is faithful and always provides us with the protection we need wherever He sends us. And, we are finding the blessings, not in the seeming failures and deaths, but in how God uses those things to draw so many closer to Himself and to service to others in His Name.

Meet the wonderful children God brought to our family; hear about the heartbreaking circumstances they endured; and revel in the transformation God is doing in their lives as they overcome their desperate beginnings.

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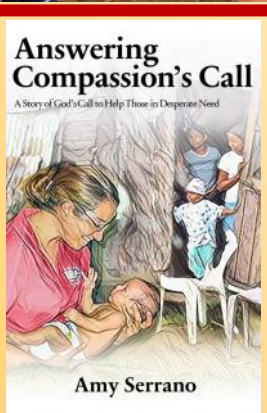

Helping Hands in Honduras

At each Body and Soul Food location, the first thing we do is worship and bring a message of hope and salvation. Our WWH2H Honduras National Director, Pastor Oscar Serrano, believes 70% of those who come to us, ask Jesus into their hearts for the first time, or rededicate their lives to Him. With no church attendance allowed in a culture where 86% of the population is Christian, it has been extremely hard on families and individuals. Here church attendance is high and used to happen two to three times a week, with much of family life centred around church family activities. When we bring even a small bit of that to these villages, the Holy Spirit can literally be felt in those places.

Currently, we buy supplies and load food staples and cleaning items in sacks, assembly-line fashion, in our Puerto Cortes church in Honduras. We contact the leaders of the many small, poor villages in the jungle outside of Puerto Cortes. They make a list for us of those most in need in their village. We then travel to their community at a specified time, to a location where they have gathered to hear the Word and receive the food.

Three days ago, we began at 7 am traveling into the jungle delivering the Word and two weeks' worth of food to six different communities. Over 250 families of 5-10 people each, received our gifts, ending at 4 pm. We have food for 50 more families to deliver in the next few days, and then we are out of funds to continue the program.

There have been difficulties implementing this project. When we began the project several months ago, we had permission from the authorities to dispense much of the food from our church in Puerto Cortes. People would begin lining up at three in the morning, knowing we did not open until nine. In addition, we made several trips into high mountain villages to communities that could not get to our church.

In June, the authorities no longer allowed us to dispense food from the church. So, we took the food to the people. When the people were coming to our church, we took their names and where they lived. Now, as we have funds to do so, we deliver it directly to their villages every two weeks, so they can have food.

Even with the challenges, the mission is the same: Provide food for the body and hope for the soul to the hungry in our area. A great need for all of us in these times is hope. The Word has left no question as to what His people, you and me, are to do: *Matthew 25: 31-40*

When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, He will sit on His glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate the people one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on His right and the goats on His left.
Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink, I was a stranger and you took Me in, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you looked after Me, I was in prison and you visited Me.'

Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You something to drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? When did we see You sick or in prison and visit You?'

And the King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for Me.'

At this time, all funds have been spent to feed the hundreds of families in need. We know if God wants this, He will provide the funds to continue. Please pray for God to touch the hearts of those with plenty to help His people in need. Thank you and God bless you!

New Neighbor- Tick Tock News

Not sure, but this may be the famous Tick Tock of Peter Pan fame, or at least a near relative. Showed up sunning himself on a rock at Coca Cola Beach in Puerto Cortes. I heard crocodiles lived here, but this is the first time I have seen one.

Janeth-Victoria-Dunia-Mimi

Children's Day

This year Children's Day was celebrated at the Village with the whole family. We began in the morning after breakfast, with church worship and the Word led by Oscar, under the shade of the very trees our first boys planted almost twenty years ago. We sat on the cement court that was **a gift from some of you** who blessed us with a place to play basketball.

Next, we all went swimming in the pool **you built for us** and enjoyed barbequed chicken and franks bought **with funds you provide** for us each month. There were gifts for each child, and huge ice cream cones, **again from you.** Soccer was the sports event of the day for the Bigs, with games going both at the Boys' and Girls' houses on fields **you all helped provide** for us. The Littles played on the playground structures and swings **you funded and build for us.**

Mayra & Dunia P

Mary & the little girls

Jairo A & Jairo N.

The glorious day ended with movies, pop and popcorn, with the littles falling asleep in our bigs' arms, as the last strains of the movie music faded away, in rooms of our house that **you helped finance and build**.

I am in tears of gratitude to all of you for how you have loved and supported this God-created, God-directed work to bless His kids here in Honduras. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your willingness to be used by our Father for His purposes.

Teacher Appreciation Day

We celebrated our amazing teachers who are giving 1000%+ to our kids with this new Distance Learning we are having to do. They work long hours, way past dismissal time AND on weekends. We are so blessed! Please keep them in your prayers. This is a huge time-consuming, exhausting way to teach, way beyond teaching in a classroom.

Miss Rosa, who teaches 4th and 5th grades, told me she was trying to think of ways to engage the students via internet. She told them that for each right answer in their discussion, she would put a piece of tape on her face, and for every wrong answer, a piece comes off. She wanted to use stickers but did not have any. As you can see, the kids are winning!

Great idea, Miss Rosa!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Nohemi - Age 8

Francisco - Age 20

Ester - Age 16

Genesis - Age 10

Adonis - Age 21

Yohana - Age 12

Estefany - Age 11

Marisol - Age 22

Susana - Age 28

Rosibel - Age 15

Nayelly - Age 14

Rosy - Age 22

Lesly - Age 22

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2 Corinthians 1:3-5 (NIV)

"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 receive from God. For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ."

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When it comes to orphans we're not liberals or conservatives. We are radicals!

TO OUR HEART TO HEART COMMUNITY—THANK YOU!

VOLUNTEER

Below is a list of upcoming teams who will be going to our Village to love our children and support the ministry. If you are interested in going, please contact us at *office@h2hcv.org*. Join us!

2020

No teams are scheduled due to COVID-19 and travel restrictions

Gift/Letter Dates

To get gifts & letters to our kids on time we need to receive them at our office by the following dates:

Christmas

Since we are not able to send teams to Honduras at this time, we will be shipping the gifts and would ask you to consider participating in our *Christmas Gift Drive* through a monetary donation.

Thank you for supporting our kids.

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