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AMY'S FARMHOUSE - A LABOR OF LOVE

To kick off our Easter Vacation week, we spent 3 days at our mountain farm in La Esperanza, Honduras, *Amy's Garden*. About 18 months ago, Oscar and the kids began building a house there in Amy's honor, that we call *Amy's Farmhouse*. It was totally financed personally by Oscar. It is a beautiful 3 story testament to his love for her and his grief at her loss. 100 of our H2H family of kids and adults were there to celebrate. It is so beautiful, with mountains out the front porch and a pine forest behind. Here, we grow veggies for our huge family, coffee for our Jubilee Coffee Company, and we just planted tons of fruit trees. We have our own well for water and an aquaponics/fishpond garden is under construction. We prayed, worked, fished, hiked, played card games and soccer, barbequed, watched movies, and just relaxed and had fun as a family. I know Amy is looking down and smiling over all of us! We are blessed!



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By Mary Frenter

Happy Easter! HE IS RISEN!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR AMY THAT BEARS REPEATING, as we all face the uncertain future of our world and the certain future of His Church. This is an excerpt from Amy's book, *Answering Compassion's Call*.

I think I have always loved the Church, but I loved her even more at that time. God gave me eyes to see what He saw in the Church, power and potential. To realize that if the knowledge that Jesus Christ is Savior lays in me, then in me lays the power to save the world! We become angry with God and ask, "If you are so great, then why all the starving children, abuse, and injustice in the world? Why don't you do something about it?" His response is, "I did do something about it. I created the force and the power to change it all, and that force and power is called the Church. The truth is the Church has enough resources, power, love and truth to be the answer to the hurt of the world." What happened? Could it be that compassion is no longer with us? Could it be that the enemy has robbed us of the victory that is ours?

I can say I love you and do nothing in response to that, but I can't say I have compassion for you and do nothing. Compassion is a gift that once received can never go back the other way. It changes you for life and turns you into someone different, who no longer can look upon the injustices and do nothing. Compassion turns you into a person who no longer cares about building your own personal kingdom in this life, but rather spends your life to be the Church in this dark hurting world.

Compassion is filled with holy anger! It is anger that the devil has taken so much territory. It declares in a loud, bold voice, not on my watch! Compassion is the ability to feel the hurt and need of others. And this big, beautiful body of Christ has lost the precious treasure of being the holders of compassion! As I walk into glorious worship centers with sound systems that cost thousands of dollars, yet I can't feed the orphans, I cry. "Where is the Church?"

But as we speak in the churches, something becomes abundantly clear - the Church is compassionate; it's just forgotten how to express it! Or rather, it has been stolen by the enemy. If he can get us so focused on "playing Church" and keeping up with the Jones's, so to speak, in church life, he knows we will stop giving to what is truly valuable. If you don't believe me, then don't just take my word for it, let's look into the word of God.

In the book of Revelation, God speaks to the seven churches of Revelation. In chapters two and three, He is speaking to churches that actually existed in those times. However, most theologians agree that what is really being spoken of is a message to the Church throughout the ages. In each church there is either a praise or a criticism for the church, often a mixture of both. However, there is one church that receives no praise and only rebuke. It is the church of Laodicea, the last church in the end times, or in other words, US! It's what He rebukes us for that hurts the most. He says in Chapter two, verse 17: "You say I am rich. I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing, but you don't realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked!" At this point the best thing we can do is not make excuses; we need to own that!

At some point, I need to acknowledge that I too get sucked into the trap of thinking I can throw money at it, and it will be fine. I too can believe that perhaps I have food today, because I have the favor of the Lord. What about the poor, faithful widow in Honduras who lives on faith to feed her children? Does she not have favor, or is it that the person with the "favor" isn't sharing? Oh, beautiful Church of America, you DO have God's favor. He has chosen us and given us the "favor" to be able to be a lighthouse to the rest of the world. He has heard our cry, "God, why won't you do something?" And He has said, "Here is more than enough for you - go and be my hands and feet." I think we missed the memo.

Oh, I understand, they are starving because they are "heathen" who worship idols, sacrifice their babies, and practice abominations! I'm so glad that the United States doesn't do any of that! Who are we fooling? I understand that person is sick because of the sinful lifestyle they chose, so I must remember that I will be judged by the same measure that I judge. It's no surprise that it IS indeed sin that has come in and destroyed the nations that God loves so much. I know that many people are so deeply in bondage they refuse to give up the graven images they hold so dear, and we, the U.S., lead the pack on that one. But isn't that the message of the Bible? The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life! I never condone sin and have witnessed in my own personal life the consequences of sin. I agree that sin is the problem, and Jesus is the answer. Where is Jesus, and where is His Church?

So, back in the third chapter, you read my testimony. I prayed a prayer one day in the shower and asked God to soften my heart and let me hear the cry and see the need in a way that I was blinded to before. I pray that each person reading this book dares to do the same as me right now. I dream of a church that will one day rise up in the resurrection power of Jesus and bring down the gates of hell!

Can you dream with me and imagine a church that is filled with holy, living compassion? Then the church would be moved out of the pews and into the streets, not just in Honduras, but right where we all live. Then the world could no longer deny this sleeping giant. It would be a game changer. The lost would be found, the sick would be healed, children would have a home and the hungry would be fed. Oh God, that compassion would flood Your Church, especially here in American, once again! Let's pray:

Lord, I thank you that you are a God of compassion. You saw me in my need and saved me. You called me to be your hands and feet. Help me know how to love like you loved. I don't just want to be a spectator; I want to be in the game. I don't want to just go through the motions. I want to see it and feel it. God, if there is something I am blind to, something I can't see, I don't want to be like that anymore. I want to know it and feel it in my heart. Lord, let me be filled with compassion, in Jesus' name.

Lord, I pray for each person reading these words, that they would inspire, up lift, and move each heart. I pray that You would continue to build Your kingdom through each of us, and we will see Your glory here on earth.

May our great God bless you all, Amy



MAKE OVER AT THE SPANISH SCHOOL/CHURCH CAMPUS

And speaking of church, lots has happened at our Spanish School Campus. The church has a new ceiling and lights, AND AC!!! We gave it a test run at our Father's Day service, celebrated in Honduras in March; and at the showing before Easter of "The Jesus Movie" for the community. Works great!!

We tore down the Glorieta just outside the school property wall, between the school and the clinic, and rebuilt it INSIDE the school wall with service windows to the outside, to the playground, and to the courtyard, which we completely cemented in and covered and put tables with umbrellas around for seating. We have tables like that outside between the school wall and the clinic as well, that serves as a place to enjoy food from the Glorieta inside, and coffee from the H2H Jubilee Kiosk outside. Both businesses are run by our adult H2H girls. Then...we



built a roof over the playground at the Spanish School that allows it to be comfortably used in the hot sun and in the rain!!! Amazing Grace!!!! The plan is to eventually cover it with cement, so it can be a real gym, for soccer, volleyball and basketball.

FATHER'S DAY/SCIENCE FAIR



Both schools did a huge Father's Day breakfast for over 200 dads. Mr. Steve, our Science Guy, was here for 3 weeks doing Science Magic in all the grades. He treated the whole church to Chinese dinner, twice!! Mr. Phil was here for a month helping organize the library at the bilingual school, and help with the boys at the village. They are both from Washington State and come a couple of times each year to bless us with their help.



SOLAR PANEL MIRACLE

A couple of weeks ago, Oscar called me at 8am about a container that had been abandoned full of solar panel stuff - \$62,000 worth!! The owners were selling it for \$30,000. He asked me to contact folks to see if anyone would give us a loan, so we could get it. He said there were enough panels to completely convert the bilingual school to solar. We could repay it monthly with the \$1500 we had been paying each month to the power company for the bilingual school!! I immediately sent out an email and then went to teach my



classes. At noon, there was a reply from one of our supporters. She said the check was in the mail and it was a donation, not a loan!! Exactly one week later, two trucks pulled into the school grounds full of the solar equipment!!! Praise God!!!

BIBLE TEACHER FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

I want to introduce you to Amir Tsarfati. He is a born again Jew who lives in Israel, an amazing Bible teacher for these days. Be sure to download his apps – Telegram – and Behold Israel - on your phone. On Telegram he keeps us up to date on all the happenings all over the world, connecting them to Bible prophesy and these end times. On his Behold Israel sermons, he teaches so deeply about what God is doing and connects it all to the Bible every step of the way. Please check him out and share his ministry with everyone you know. He is that good and gives ALL glory to God!!

April Birthdays



Geovany - Age 25



Martha - Age 16



Kevin Joel - Age 18



Gloria - Age 17



Jose - Age 13

THANK YOU TO THE CRCC AWANA CLUB

Recently received from Ruth Leffler:

Good Morning Mary! This is Ruth Leffler from CRCC 🥰 Our AWANA Club held a Talent Show & Dessert Auction event to raise money for H2H Birthday fund. We had 23 with talent...and many more offerings of desserts. We are sending \$1932.00 to support your children and bless their Birthdays





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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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we're not liberals nor conservatives. We are radicals!*

TO OUR HEART TO HEART COMMUNITY—THANK YOU!

TEAMS - US volunteers have been returning to Honduras this year. Some COVID restrictions have recently been lifted. To come, the requirement of the Honduras authorities and H2H Ministries, is a negative covid test. You will not need a covid vaccination. We are hoping 2023 will be a year you will pray about planning a team from your church to help us.

UPCOMING TEAMS

JUNE 19-29 Village Maintenance, Scott Collins

JULY 20-27 Youth Missions, Gary Thacker

AUGUST 2-11 Village Maintenance, Gary Thacker

Contact our office for more information.

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LETTER WRITING

The Kids would like to hear from you . . . The H2H kids really look forward to receiving and reading letters from their sponsors, and they enjoy writing back as well. One of the impacts of the Covid pandemic we have observed is that the correspondence to the kids has dropped off. For about half of the children, they have not received any letters. If you would like to correspond with a kid, your letter will definitely brighten their day. Please send your letters to the H2H office by May 15, 2023

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