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"A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal." - Steve Maraboli

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NEEDS

Prayers for comfort for our whole family. We all continue to struggle to find our new normal with the loss of our Amy.

Funds to support our Bilingual School. With almost half of our students under scholarships, we are struggling to meet our monthly budget.

Backpacks/Supplies/Uniforms for our kids for school year 2019-20

Instruments for our H2H kids to be part of our band and orchestra.

A keyboard for H2H Worship.

2019 Heart to Heart Banquet Answering Compassion's Call

Special Guests
Bruce Van Natta-
Evangelist and Author

&

Mary Frenter-H2H President

November 2, 2019

Red Lion Hotel on the River
Jantzen Beach
Portland, OR 97217

Doors Open: 6:00 pm

Dinner: 6:30 pm

Please RSVP to Host a Table or to attend
Call 503-427-0258 or email office@h2hcv.org

Serrano Fall Fundraising Tour

Oscar, Sarah and Rachel will leave this month to do the fundraising tour that he and Amy have done each fall for the last several years. They will begin on the east coast of the US and end up on the west coast for presentations in Washington and Oregon, and our banquet on November 2nd. Please keep them in your prayers for safety and Holy Spirit wisdom and comfort as they tell about what God is doing for His Kids in Honduras, and how others can help.

The School Bells are ringing, the kids are back in class as of August 12th, and all is well with the world!! Our children were so ready for the first day of school. The school looks brand new with the completion of the second floor. The new desks arrived and the white boards and AC's got installed just in time. Thank you to all of you who helped finance this!!

I am so excited, mostly for the lives that will come to know Jesus this year, but also for the new Faith in Jesus, chapel, music, science and PE/ sports programs we are offering. In fact, today at school, one of our daughters asked Jesus into her life!!

Our new marching band began rehearsals in July and our H2H family has provided the talents of Cesar, Daisy, Rosibel, Norma, Osiris, Jonathan, and Gloria. Along with students from our Spanish School, and some of our staff, we have a really great band! Our two schools will "band" together to march in the Honduras Independence Day on September 14th – all 313 of us!!!

August 23rd was the 8th Anniversary Celebration of our schools!! I know, who does that, but here we celebrate everything, and it is always "Go big or go home"!!!... and so far we have NEVER gone home. Both the Schools, Spanish and Bilingual, were here. Our brand new marching band, with students from both schools, performed, and our amazing Preschool Director and School Counselor, Miss Luisa, made 350 cupcakes for all the kids, with a small cake for Oscar and me with an "8" candle on top to blow out during the ceremony. Our H2H Worship Team made up of students, teachers and Oscar and me, led worship.

Our new science lab is up and running under the skilled hands of our new science and PE teacher, Paul Davis. He and his wife Jessica, who is teaching 5th grade for us, are missionaries from the US, and we have three more new teachers who show great promise.

NW Pediatric Team



Adventures of Volunteers



Our "Waka", Mikaela Gronseth, long time H2H volunteer, and mommie host to our Ilcy who goes to college in Centralia, came for the summer to help and later lead the medical team from her town. Also, our US H2H kids, Ilcy and Luis S. came home this summer for a visit and to help with our teams and our projects. Our Honduras college kids are home, as well. They have helped with the final touches of the construction, building solar panels, painting, and serving as interpreters on teams.

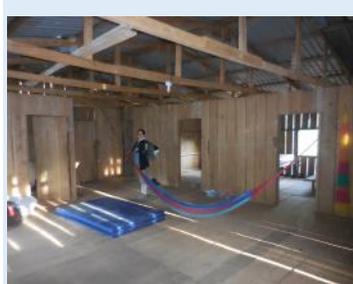
Three teams blessed us with help at the village, help at the school, VBS, and medical/dental brigades to remote areas. The last week of July Keith Lee, Christine Lee, Susan Maines and Laila Sutton from Trinity United Methodist Church in Virginia came for a week of ministry to our kids as part of the Summer Camp program. As a special treat, the whole village got to go to the movies in Puerto Cortes.

The last two days of the Centralia Northwest Pediatrics Medical/Dental team, we went "back roading" to 2 clinics in the mountains. With the team and all of us helpers, there were 25 souls. The "road" went through rivers, straight up switchbacks, where we had to stop at each corner and back up to go forward, literally over boulders, and up-to- the-doors mud. It was gloriously amazing!!

I got to ride inside the "burro", as Oscar calls his truck, but most of the team rode in the back, laughing, screaming, and holding on for dear life. Oh, yeah, and we were also pulling an enclosed trailer behind us that kept breaking away and rolling back down the road. At one point we had to "borrow" a bit of barbed wire from a nearby fence to hold it on, and finally we came to a village and had it welded on. There were 3 truckloads of us and our equipment.

I told Oscar that when Lyle and I got married we decided Motel 6 was as rough as we liked it to get for camping. He said same for Amy and him, but in their day it was Motel 8. He said our cabin at our coffee farm, where we were going to sleep that night, would maybe classify as a Motel 2 .

He hit that nail on the head!! In fact, the switchback up to "Motel 2" was so steep and severe, that we had to leave the other two trucks and the escape-artist trailer at the bottom of the road, because only "the Burro" could make it up there.



30 of us slept in hammocks and on the floor, and had one toilet to share that flushed with a bucket of water!! Only cold showers, and dinner was served about 10 pm. I fell asleep waiting for my turn at the shower, woke at 2:30 am and finally got in. The next morning we headed out for the 2nd clinic in nearby Los Flores. Anyway, we had a blast and got to minister to about 1000 people. Our H2H daughters were interpreters for doctors and their patients. I got to help the dental team by painting teeth with fluoride, handing out toothpaste and toothbrushes, setting up exam trays and holding screaming littles on my lap while the dentist pulled their rotten teeth and root tips.

Coming home, a section of the road had washed out overnight, so we had to take a detour right through the jungle, through rivers, over boulders, etc. We got back home about 6 Friday night, showered, collapsed into bed and slept soundly for the next 8 hours!! Would not have missed it for the world !!

In August, Megan McGowan brought a team from New York. She is the daughter of Sue and Tom McGowan who are graciously hosting our Francisco to go to college in New York for the second year. This was a 13-person strong VBS team who ministered to the children in Tegucigalpa, as well as our kids from Chile, and treated our family to a day at the beach, besides helping us with the first week of school.

Thank you all so much for the sacrifice you gave to be here to help and bless us, and for the joy of Jesus you brought with you!!!



College Student Update

This school year in the US we will have 9 college students from New York to Washington. There are 14 here in Honduras – 23 of our kids in college this year!!! The number of our girls who live and go to college in San Pedro Sula has grown to 9, so they no longer fit into the tiny apartment meant for two. With a no interest loan from one of our H2H friends, we purchased an older home near the university for them to live. It will be big enough for now, and the ensuing years, for our young women to live and study safely while they go to college. God is good all the time!!

- * Sarah and Rachel graduated from Clark Community College with their Associates Degrees. They will spend the fall fundraising with Oscar across the US, and will return to the states in January to continue their education.
- * Ilcy lives and goes to college in Centralia WA, is doing well in her grades, and is on the school soccer team.
- * Daniel Manzanarez, who has worked, prayed and waited for over 2 years, has been accepted into the Missionary Pilot Training program at Moody Bible College in Spokane and began his classes last week. We are so happy for him!!
- * Francisco is in New York and has done well in his studies. He has a scholarship to continue in September and is on the college soccer team.
- * Lesly is in Wisconsin and is doing well and continuing college there.
- * Alexis has begun his studies at Bellevue Community College, is doing well in his grades and is on the school soccer team.
- * With God’s help, Luis Gustavo Rodriguez, will be enrolling in January at Centralia Community College, to begin his studies in the US.

In addition, there are 14 more of our kids continuing or beginning higher education here in Honduras: Susanna, Wendy, Marisol, Reina, Genesis, Belkis, Katherine, Olga, Elena, Julio, Nelson, Adonis, Cristofer, and Jehovany. Many of the kids work for us while going to school. Enrique and Denis have jobs at the local Super Barato.

When God created this amazing LARGE family of H2H, we had no idea where He was going with it, but now we are beginning to see the big picture as He leads them out into the world to be His hands and feet to others. Please continue to keep all of them and all of us in your prayers for His perfect will!!

Village Summer Camp

Several years ago, we implemented a summer activity program for the kids to help them not be bored when there are no school activities for them to focus on. As one can imagine, 100 pairs of idle hands can lead to some interesting outcomes.

This year we hired a local pastor who lives in the next town, Johnny to run the program for the boys, and Sodi, our 11th grade Spanish teacher was hired to run the program for the girls. Each day the kids followed a schedule that included a daily devotional, chores, crafts/games, a sport activity and time in the pool. Then, after dinner the kids got to watch a movie before going to bed. The teams that visited the village during the summer participated in the craft/game times and also swam with the kids in the afternoons.

The last day of the program we celebrated with a trip to the beach. Unfortunately, we could not get the bus started so we piled as many kids as possible into Oscar’s truck and the team van and we ferried the kids in groups to the beach. The kids had a great time swimming in the water, finding sand dollars & star fish and digging clams. They also managed to capture a couple of small crabs. At the end of the day pizza & pop was brought in so we could finish off with a good meal that our house moms did not have to cook.



Coffee Update

Earlier this year the ministry received its license to export the coffee that we grow on our plantation in Las Flores. The intent is to use the profits from coffee sales to fund secondary education for our kids. We are blessed to have 14 of our children currently attending college or tech school in Honduras and we will have more high school graduates at the end of this school year. To meet the funding needs for our kids’ secondary education we are going to need to sell more coffee than we are able to carry in suitcases when visitors return to the States. Currently we are working through all the legal details required for us to export/import the coffee as well as setting up the necessary processes to establish supply and distribution logistics. Coffee is currently available at our office in Clackamas. If you wish to order some please contact us at 503-427-0258.

September Birthdays



Belkis - Age 19



Julisa - Age 11



Luis G - Age 21



Delia - Age 17



Idalmy - Age 16



Arlen - Age 17



Karla - Age 15



Dunia P - Age 4



Olga - Age 22



Cristian T - Age 15

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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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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!

- October 17-25 School Support, Gary Thacker**
- November 14-24 Christmas Team, Rick Stephens**
- 2020**
- February 10-18 School Support, Gary Thacker**
- February 20-28 Crusade Team, Bruce Van Natta**
- June 16-25 School Support, Gary Thacker**
- June 25-July 3 Drama & Arts/Crafts Lisa Closner**

Gift/Letter Dates

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

4th Quarter	September 26, 2019
Christmas	September 26, 2019

This Christmas our dream is to put smiles on each and every one of our Heart to Heart kids!

Every child will receive a medium sized gift, one outfit with underwear and shoes, a few small items, and candy.

Would you consider participating in our *Christmas Gift Drive* either through a monetary donation or by purchasing toys / gifts for the children?

Send donations to our:

H2H Office at PO Box 3275, Clackamas, OR 97015

Newsletter Feedback? Contact us—office@h2hcv.org

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