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Summer Is Over Already??

Well, we made it another summer with teams coming back to back. It goes by so fast!! We have probably told you before that each team arriving on Sunday brings a new grace and excitement about what God will do the coming week! It is like a spiritual shot of Vitamin B12!! God is faithful to give us everything we need physically and spiritually to do the job He has placed before us. To God be the glory!!

- The teams built ten houses and one clinic (a small building on the Cabañas property which will open in January as the second location of Hope Clinic).
- They bagged and distributed 72,000 lbs. of food which fed 3,600 households in our ministry area. They served a different colonia each week.
- They fed 300 kids in the streets each day in the Colonia Nueva España surrounding the Hope Center.
- They read with the bilingual students in order for them to hear English spoken correctly.
- Each team worked with the Bible Kinder 4 & 5
 year olds helping them refine their fine motor
 skills. They brought great crafts, songs and games
 to help reinforce the lessons for that week.
- And last but not the least of these activities, they
 played in the streets every day with the local
 children and showed the love of Christ as they
 jumped rope, blew bubbles, painted fingernails,
 played soccer and just paid attention to them.

The relationships that each team develops with the residents around us, helps to further the kingdom in this area. Who knew that playing with kids who speak a different language would become a huge ministry?? Now we are heading into fall with just as much excitement and anticipation as we have preparing for teams! The Bilingual School students will be finishing Kindergarten-2nd Grades this fall. It seems like we just started that program!! Our biggest "problem" is finding teachers who have a calling for the foreign field. If you know of anyone, please give them our information or send it to us and we will gladly contact them to see if God has been whispering in their ear!

The Church is doing very well with the changes put in place the first of the year and the Bible Institute is focused and working through their new program. The Community of Pastors which brings together the pastors from our ministry area is meeting weekly to plan how they can reach the 100,000 people for Christ who live up here.

We built a small new bathroom for the Bible Kinder and Hope Academy which has tremendously cut down on time used for these breaks! It is amazing how a little thing like that can free up the class time we were looking for!! Now small building projects are continuing at Cabañas so that site will flow as smoothly as the rest of our organization.

In January, we hope to open a second Hope Clinic site up the mountain on the Cabañas property. One of the teams built that for us this summer. The University of Kansas donated an ultra sound machine that we are working to make available for a small fee to the thousands of residents around us. Finding a new doctor with the same heart and faithfulness as Dr. Deb has proven to be more of a challenge than we had anticipated. Please pray we find the doctor God has hand picked for us.

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support. We cannot do this without you there with us.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!!

HOPE FOR HONDURAS GALLERY



FEEDING THE TEAMS

Here is a glimpse behind the scenes!

After each day's work in Mogote, we come home to prepare dinner for the team. Ron is the Master Chef during team time, while Nori and Shelley come in to put on the "gourmet" touches and serve. It is a wonderful time for fellowship and good food!

TEAMS BUILD HOUSES

Almost every team through out the year builds a house for a family in the ministry area. It takes three days to complete and everyone who wants to help build it is able to spend some time at the house site doing just that with the oversite of Ron's well trained workers. The workers don't speak English and the teams usually don't speak Spanish, but the Holy Spirit is right in the middle of the project and brings them together as a well oiled machine. It is amazing!!



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FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Each team bagged and distributed 6,000 lbs. of food to thirteen different colonias this year. We go to a different colonia each week and have enough for 300 houses. We pass it out house to house in each area because the number of families in any one house changes all the time. This way we know we have enough to feed that colonia when it is their turn to receive this blessing. We pray before we go out that God will multiply what is in these little bags to feed as many people as need to be fed that day.