# **H2H NEWSLETTER**

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GIVING LIFE, BRINGING HOPE TO ORPHANS IN HONDURAS

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Newsbreak: We experienced an earthquake Aug. 25 that shook our house and the school a bit. We are all OK, as are our structures. It registered 5.0. Apparently, there have been earthquakes in the last 7 days with increasing intensity in our area. Please keep us in your prayers.

# "Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself." John Dewey



The big news this month is that we have been given permission by the authorities to open our schools to in-school classes.

Due to the Covid Pandemic, there was no in-class school in Honduras from March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, to August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. The government issued a 2-inch thick Covid Protocols handbook telling everyone what to do if they wanted to be considered for a pilot program to open in-class school this year. We did it, and they gave us permission. We are required to provide online classes, as well as in-class instruction. A typical day begins with students entering the building at one of three entrances, stepping in an alcohol footbath, getting their temperature taken, sanitizing their hands with gel, and finally spraying all of their clothing an with alcohol sanitizer. They wear masks and face shields, as do ALL personnel in the building. After entering the building, they proceed to their respective classes and line up outside three feet apart, while the teacher administers hand sanitizer again. Once inside, they sit in marked off desk spaces with room for all their belongings. They have their own designated bathrooms, which are sanitized after each use. Each student sanitizes their desk throughout the day and stays a safe distance from classmates.



We are only allowed to hold classes for four hours (7:30-11:30), with online office hours in the afternoon until 2:30. The whole building is sanitized prior to opening each day, and at the end of each day by the custodians and the staff.



As you can well imagine, not only is this not a regular school experience, but one that is costly in time, funds and normal school activities for the students and staff. We are all creating new ways of doing things to comply with current circumstances. I am so proud of my staff, who, with God's help and direction, have gone more than the extra mile to make this happen.

Because we are the only private school in Puerto Cortes that is opening, the press, radio and all the local and national school authorities have visited us to see what we are doing. The people that came the first day told us we have better protocols than the students have in their homes. This is hopeful. Please pray that no one contracts covid at our school this year.

~ Mary Frenter

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"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

~Proverbs 22:6

#### **Summer Bridge Enrichment Program**



According to their instructors, Miss Maria, Miss Katherine, Miss Karla and Miss Mayra, the Summer Bridge Enrichment Program at the Village was a success. In it, each student completed review materials from the previous year to keep their skills up to date. Thank you, ladies, for your help with this.

#### **Summer Visitors**

Mikaela Gronseth and her brother Macoy blessed us with a short but sweet visit to help with kids. Mikaela was a teacher/volunteer for us for three years and is now the sponsor for Ilcy, who goes to college in Centralia, WA. Macoy has volunteered before and was a welcome help with the summer enrichment program at the village. Thank you both, for coming! Come back soon!

### Our First Day of Classes – by Karla Martinez, Senior



I was very excited, in fact, I could not sleep the night before our first day, so I was up early, started the coffee and continued reading my new book, "Battlefield of the Mind" by Joyce Meyer. At last, 6:30 arrived ...time to go to school!

We arrived along with many others, all of whom had one thing in common. We did not want to miss one second of what our first day of classes had in store for us. Miss Luisa, our school counselor, greeted us and reminded us to proceed to a different entrance, as new covid protocols were now in place on this first day back of face-to-face classes in almost 18 months.

*Mary Frenter* is a school that, regardless of the challenges faced, will always put God first. So our first fifteen minutes inside the classrooms were spent dedicating the day to God. We do that throughout the day, but these fifteen minutes are special and intentional. After this we continued our respective class schedules and for us Seniors it was TESA, taught by Miss Karla, the 4<sup>th</sup>-Senior Director. She is becoming an expert in projects to help MFS young people devel-

op a better environment every day.

We continued our schedule in Spanish with Miss Sunilda, whose main purpose is to help us develop our speech in a professional way, and there is no doubt she is achieving it. Next, we had a little break which was fun, because although we are few, we love being together as a group.

We could not waste any time because we only get half the school day to do all the classes that MFS specializes in for the good of the students. Miss Hany is our excellent new teacher, like all the other teachers that make up this staff.

Next it was time to introduce ourselves to the wonderful Mr. Paul's Science Lab. When I entered his classroom, I was amazed at all he had drawn, painted and written on his walls for our learning. Mr. Paul is a teacher that no matter what he is going through personally, he always has words of encouragement for others and always tries to do his best in everything he can.

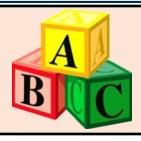
Remember, we only get to be at school for 4 hours, so now we were approaching our last class which was precalculus, taught by Mr. Kevin. He appears stern but he teaches from his heart and that makes the topics of math and physics seem much easier than they really are.

Finally, it was time to go home and we all went with a smile reflected from our soul, thankful to have this opportunity that 7.2 million other children in Honduras do not get, but even more thankful that the MFS staff worked so hard to be able to accomplish opening the school for us. MFS is not an ordinary school. It is a huge family that will always have room for one more.



#### **Goal Reached for School Costs**

Thank you to everyone who helped us reach our goal to fund matriculation and tuition for our MFS students this month!! You all were an answer to our prayers!!



# **NEWS**

#### **Dental Clinic Interns**

# **On-the-Job Experience**

Five of our H2H young women in university in San Pedro Sula are pursuing careers in Dental Science. Olga, Genesis, Reina, Elena, and Belkis are on vacation this month and are getting some hands-on experience at our Heart to Heart Dental Clinic.









# **August Birthdays**







Maycol - Age 15

Marilyn - Age 14

Janeth - Age 9

#### Container

In October we will be loading and sending a container to Honduras. The one that came in January was loaded with so many of our needs. Besides the usual clothing, kitchen supplies and bath and bedding, we need generators, medical equipment and supplies; and dental equipment and tools. We are expanding our clinic to accommodate more patients and services. Please contact Wilfredo Henriquez at 360-338-0407 to coordinate items needing to be picked up. Item will be staged and shipped from Centrailia, Washington.

#### **Goodbye and Hello**

#### Thank you, Miss Jessie, Miss Delmira and Miss Sharon

Three of our Bilingual School staff from last year have resigned. Miss Sharon was our English teacher. Miss Hany has been hired to teach those classes. Miss Delmira, who has been with us for several years, has moved. She was our Administrative Secretary. Miss Zoila has been hired for that position. Miss Jessie who was our 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for a year and then our amazing Assistant Superintendent for the last year, has resigned for health reasons, but continues in a volunteer position to help us when she is able. Delmira and Sharon were gone before we got the chance, but we honored Miss Jessie at a party the first week the staff was back. All were amazing in their fields and will be greatly missed.



# "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"

Saturday, November 6, 2021

Red Lion on the River – Jantzen Beach

Doors Open at 6:00PM

Featuring speakers:

Scott Collins, Missions Pastor, Bethel Church

Mary Frenter, President of Worldwide Heart to Heart Ministries

Worldwide Heart to Heart Ministries invites you to partner with us in our most important fundraising event of the year.

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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!

The Kids would kike 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 his/her day. Please send your letters to the H2H office as soon as possible.

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Letters For Kids Needed

Thank you for supporting and blessing our children

Newsletter Feedback? Contact us—office@h2hcv.org

**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 October 1, 2021

Christmas October 1, 2021

Thank you for supporting our kids.

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