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RAISING OUR KIDS

“Summer, Summer, Summertime!”

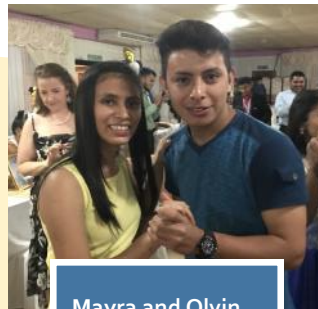
Summer is in full swing and we are loving every incredibly hot moment of it. It has been wonderful, so far, as several teams have made their way here and blessed our kids so much.

Summer Teams Arriving

Our first team was the Team from Wisconsin that included a very special member, Lesly Fuentes! Lesly grew up at WWH2H and is now living with Martha and Brian Strong in Wisconsin and attending college there. Many of the team members were her friends from school and church. While here the team blessed all of our teens with a trip to Copan! It was over the top fun with an insanely long bus ride, starting at 4am and finally arriving home at 10pm. The team also did several art projects and some bible stories with the kids. They also brought down with them 30 backpacks!!!! Thank you so much St Luke's, you have blessed our kids with amazing memories!



In addition to Lesly Fuentes being here, we have also been joined by four of our former residents and a family member. Ilcy Barrias who also grew up with us since the age of 7 and is now in her second year of college up in Washington State. She came with her sponsor Mikeala Gronseth who was team leader for the Wisconsin team and will be staying with us until August. In addition, Olvin Ramirez has returned. He has also been in the US attending college and is currently at Clackamas Community College. My two daughters Sarah and Rachel have returned from college in the US to spend the summer in Honduras. And finally we had a short visit from Mary's grandson Grey Bumstead. It is always SO wonderful to have our kids' home!! Lastly, we were visited by Brittany Elliott. A very talented and beautiful spirited young woman who is a worship pastor for Bethel church in Chehalis, WA. Brittany has been to Honduras many times with her church and has helped to lead worship for our morning bible studies at the village.



Mayra and Olvin

Our next team was our friends from Trinity United Methodist Church in Virginia. Their team also did several art projects with the kids including tie dye shirts. They treated our kids to Pizza and a day at the water park. They also brought down shoes, backpacks and jeans that our kids will need for starting school in August. As always Trinity United Methodist, thank you for your friendship and support!

Finally we currently have a team from Washington State here led by Lisa Closner. The team will be doing VBS and a soccer camp, way too much fun for one week. In addition they will be taking our kids to the water park and treating them to pizza this Friday. This will be the team's first visit here, and we are so excited for this new friendship. Thank you so much Canyon Creek Church we hope this is your first trip of many!

One of the main events for this past month was our baptisms! We raise our kids in a Christian home with Christian values. We are so excited to say that 14 of our kids decided to get baptized! A few times per year our church holds service down at the river and baptizes those who wish to do so. In addition, about 5 other church members were baptized. Please pray for those kids as they take a new step in their faith.



School News From Mary

Happy Belated Fourth of July, H2H Family!!

It has been a great month. Our English School finished the year. The Spanish School got a new ESL teacher, Miss Cesia. They complete their year in November. For our kids, the Summer Camp at the village is in full swing, overseen at the boys' house by 4 of our young teen/adult men, and at the girls' house, 4 of our young teen/adult women.

Our Spanish School just made it to the half-way mark. They took the little kids on a field trip recently. Some of our H2H children attend this school, led by the very capable Miss Iris as director. There are 120 children in this school from grades 1-12. I was blessed to teach ESL to the older kids since February when they commenced. When I went to the US to visit my family there, Miss Cesia took over and is doing a fantastic job.

God continues to bless His work here with people and funds. We have had back to back volunteer teams from the US here since mid-May, and they will continue throughout the summer. At our English School, repairs and new construction are underway, with the addition of another classroom for the Pre-School wing. Our Library has found a new home and is being outfitted as I write this. Please pray for God to bring His teachers to fill the openings we have for next year, which begins in August.

Thank you to everyone who responded to our need for backpacks and school supplies. We still need a few more backpacks, and more school supplies and uniform jeans and shoes. (see needs lists) Please continue to pray for the needs Amy has mentioned. We all need to be vigilant and armored-up, as we move forward as God leads. We love you all, and thank God for you daily.

Addition Note From Amy For 2018-2019 School Needs

There are still many fun teams and activities prepared for this summer. We ask for your prayers for those teams. We also ask for your prayers for the remaining funds needed for the remaining shoes, uniforms and supplies that still need to be purchased. We also need some more funding for a few other things that need to cover at the beginning of the school year such as work-books for our kids and a government required accident insurance. We would also like to find \$50 per month sponsors to help us cover some of the monthly school expenses that we have. If covering any of these needs is something to you would like to be involved with, please contact our main office at 503-427-0258 or office@h2hcv.org.



Blessing of School Clothes and Backpacks



Graduation

Graduations for both prepa and our seniors were beautiful. I am so proud of our kids, and the parents and staff who brought them to this milestone in their lives. We had many sponsors of our seniors come from the US for the event. Several of our kids studying in the US are home for the summer, and Amy is in full-swing preparing all the paperwork and appointments for the 3 that will join the 10 already studying there this fall. Marisol will be going to Wisconsin, Francisco will go to New York, and Alexis will be in Washington State. God truly blesses our kids with their heart's desire for education both in the US and here in Honduras.



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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!

July 6-14 Lisa Closner, Projects, Canyon Creek Team

July 16-25 Rick Stephens, Bethel Maintenance Team

October 18-26 Thacker, School Support

Oct 29-Nov 6 Thacker, School Support

Gift/Letter Writing 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 15, 2018**

Christmas **October 15, 2018**

Thank you for partnering with us as a wonderful way of giving to our kids!



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