

Caring Action



For Children

In Mexico

Christmas
2005



Our 39th year

Dear Donors for Children in Mexico

Here we are at Christmas time again! We need to remember that Christ was often called the Lamb of God, born and sacrificed for all of us. Let the picture remind us this Christmas that we also must embrace the lamb and live our lives with a love shown by the girl.

Your gifts to the children and youth in Mexico may be your way of embracing with love those who are born in poverty, who are neglected and do not have much hope for the future. "What you have done for them, you have done for me!" said Christ.



Some of the
USA Board



Norwegian Board



Swedish Board



Thanks to Bruderhof USA
for this drawing

Caring Action for Children now helps about 45 children at the Mama Paulita Home, 22 at the La Familia Home, 24 at the Esperanza Home, 50 at the Shelter Home, 22 at the Cinco Banderas Student Home, 12 at the MANO student home and 10 at the new Indigenous Home. In addition, we help poor students with funds for schooling and for children in two Outreach Programs in slum communities. Thanks so much for making the Caring Action programs possible!

The pictures to the left show most of our board members who serve, without pay, in the USA, Norway and in Sweden. They make sure your gifts reach the staff and children in Mexico.

All of us on the three boards, as well as the staff and children in Mexico wish you -

A Merry Christmas, a God Jul, and a Feliz Navidad!

A visit to Scandinavian S

This summer, Tor and May Jansen made a visit to our supporting friends in Sweden and Norway. After 39 years in Mexico. They read our stories and see the pictures we send to about 600 persons in Scandinavia.

We heard about two special groups who have been involved in a unique way:

A public school in Gothenburg, Sweden has a Fall and Spring event designated as "Day of giving". The children receive a donation. In addition, many children go to the marketplace with a bucket and receive coins. They collect coins who involve children in the needs of this world!

A second group we heard about was a confirmation class living deep in one of the fjords of Norway. They and their children are interested in learning about Mexico and doing what they can. The Lutheran priest in the parish in America has existed for many years, because in these parts they believe that Christopher Columbus came from

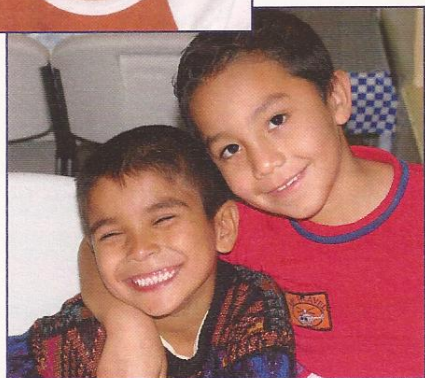


Mama Paulita Home for Children

El Limon, Tamps.



Leticia, the President of the Mama Paulita Patronato reports that the construction of the new Bath facility for the older boys has been delayed while waiting for Mexicans to donate the fixtures required. Caring Action and donors from Norway, Texas, Indiana, and California have given most of the construction funds needed.



At this time every year the children prepare for plays and ceremonies to celebrate Christ's birth— both in church and for visitors at the Home. The 45 children enjoy the long vacation and the many Mexican visitors that come with special treats and gifts.



La Familia

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Members of one work team scheduled for La Familia volunteered instead to help the victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita which hit the USA Gulf coast. Children at the Home gave their prayers for the children in America.

One boy that we wrote about earlier found a family to live with while he continued to study in Puebla City. One girl also got a new family and moved from La Familia. New children replaced them for a total of 22 children at the Home. Caring Action will give the Home a Christmas Fund for the children. With this money, the house parents will be able to purchase small gifts for each child to open on Christmas.



Supporters

years of support they still are interested in helping children

children pledge a day of doing chores for someone and re-
collect about \$12,000 each year. Thanks to the teachers

are far away from problems of the world but parents and
received photos and material to share. An interest in Latin
from the fjords of the "Vikings."



Amalia Home for Children

Monterrey, N.L.



Casa Hogar "Shelter" for Children

Monterrey, N.L.

A group of interested Americans from several states will visit the Shelter to explore the vision to build a multipurpose addition. The idea is to give the 50 children more than the basic needs they receive now. Such a multipurpose facility will give a place to play in inclement weather, a library, a place for tutoring, for performing, and for worship.

We are hoping to interest the Mexicans in Monterrey to participate in this venture for their children.



Caring ACTION for Children, Inc.

A non-profit interdenominational organization dedicated to helping Mexican Christians care for the under-privileged children in their country.

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OUR TWO-FOLD MISSION

- To respond to the needs of children in Mexico by providing food, housing, clothing, an education, and spiritual guidance.
- To assist concerned Mexicans in taking full responsibility for property and operations of the Children's Homes.

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A child's depiction of the Nativity

Esperanza Home near Cancun Ravaged by Hurricane Wilma

Many of you have been concerned about the Esperanza Home that was in the path of Hurricane Rita. This Home cares for 24 children. We received this message from Pastor Ascensio, who oversees the Home.

"All of us are safe— praise the LORD. The hurricane peeled the all the paint off our building. A sign declaring the name of the building was also ripped off and broken in pieces. The roof also sustained unbelievable damage. We had about 3 or 4 feet high of flood water. After the hurricane much of the concrete wall and fence were destroyed.

"The wind was so strong it lifted what looks like a ceiling support beam from a factory. It twisted, but if straightened, it would have been at least 6 to 7 yards long. It landed directly where the water tanks and gas tank stood. Thank God it did not damage the water tanks. However, it did land on the gas tank, which exploded, and of course we now cannot use the stove and oven. All was in shamble with most electric / telephone poles down. Looks like "Winter" as the green foliage is gone caused by the salt water.

"Most of Bonfil was also destroyed- many people lost their homes, clothes, and were without food and water. Much prayer is needed for those yet suffering from such destruction."

Extra money is needed by Esperanza to clean up and repair the building, as well as replace the gas tank and fence. All the windows were destroyed and the bedding and mattresses were ruined. If you can send an extra donation to help, please indicate with a note that it is to go directly to Esperanza. Our first concern is keeping the children there healthy and safe. Thank you in advance for your help!