Caring Action



For Children

In Mexico

December 2008

Our 42nd. year in Mexico



Blessed Christmas Velsignet Jul Navidad Bendita

...from Your Children in Mexico!

This is the 42nd. Christmas which our donor partners have served needy children in Mexico. Conditions have improved a little over the years, but parents are still abandoning young children. Some of the reasons remain the same: poverty, inability to support, fathers leaving mothers, alcoholism, and unemployment.

Fortunately, you have made a difference for many children through your gifts which provide homes with loving Mexican Houseparents. Many Children have grown up now with a background of a Christian environment, received an education toward a working occupation and learned responsible family relationships. Surely your investment in the Kingdom of God has not been wasted!

Our Mexican friends tell us about the rewarding lives of the former children and we know our efforts have been rewarded! We continue providing monthly support for 4 Childrens Homes and 3 Youth Homes. Our latest special project is to construct a Learning Center for the Children's Shelter in Monterrey. One half of this project is almost completed. A volunteer Team from USA will be completing final cleanup and painting touches on the All Purpose Hall with Kitchen. The children then can use it for play, worship, performances and fiestas with their community friends. The second half is planned to be the construction of tutor rooms and a library.

In this holiday newsletter, we are including for you either a special little gift made by the children in our Homes, or a CD of familiar organ tunes. The tunes were provided to us by a 92 year old retired organist as her gift toward raising funds for a Learning Center that also teaches music. The CD will include an address for any designated contributions. If you did not receive the CD and would like one, please write to Tor Jansen, 38 Elsie Dr. Southampton, PA. 18966.

Home for Native Mexican Boys and Girls in Tlaxiaco, Oaxaca



The Bishop and the Operating Board of Directors from the Mexican Methodist Church traveled to Tlaxiaco to greet the new students and their Parents. The Mission and Living Requirements of the Home were explained. All enjoyed a meal prepared by the House-parents Augustin and Irene. The picture shows Indigenous parents and some children. This is our newest Home, and Caring Action for Children supports 90% of the operating cost this year. Next year we will reduce our support again by 10%, so the Mexicans can be more involved in finding local support for the remainder.



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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

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The Shelter for Young Children in Monterrey

The 50 youngsters are preparing for many visitors from USA to dedicate the finished All Purpose Hall of the Learning Center. Now they will have an indoor place to play when the sun is so strong in the summer and the chilly winds blow in the winter. A kitchen has also been built next to the Hall for Fiestas. A grand place for a Christmas party where visitors can be welcomed! Please pray for funding gifts to complete the Tutor Rooms and Library in 2009.



MANO Home for Female Students in Monterrey

The last few months have been spent repairing and painting the Home, which can house up to 20 young ladies. The directors Henry and Karla appreciate donations that made the home like new again. At this time the girls are praying for a pick up truck or a van. Any gift like that from USA must be at least 10 years old for importation.

Henry writes about one girl, Elia, 17 years old, who came to the home from a village in the State of Hidalgo. She wished to be the first in the family to have a high school education. The parents sustained the family by making and selling pottery and baskets on the streets. Your donations bring hope to families like these. An education was a dream but is now becoming a

reality!



Esperanza Home for Children in Bonfil, near Cancun

Pastor Ascencio and Esther, the Houseparents, report that all is well with the children. Esther is also recovering and trust the Lord to give her the continued strength to care for the Home. Tor and May will visit all the homes before Christmas and will give you more reports in the New Year.



La Familia Home for Children in the State of Puebla



Could you imagine moving with 29 children to a new town about 25 miles away? That is what happened to all the children at La Familia last summer . Goodbye to the old schoolmates in Serdan. Hello to new friends in a different town. La Familia is on it's way to becoming an independent Mexican Home. The organization Hogar de Amor (Home of Love) which has supervised the operation in Serdan for almost 2 years is constructing a larger facility in a small village called Palmarito, Puebla. Eventually this facility will house 90 children and youth. The houseparents Jose and Silvia moved with the children who are temporarily housed at an abandoned clinic in the city of Tehuacan during construction.

Caring Action for Children donated during this period of change one month of financial support, and the pictured van for transportation of children to new schools. The youngsters are hoping to travel by vans to the State of Colima for Christmas. There "Hogar de Amor" has a home where children can swim in the warm Pacific

The Mexican Methodist Church owns the Serdan property which Caring Action for Children helped build up 28 years ago. The Church is proposing to open a new Home for Children at this location.