

Nepomuceno

(Brazil)

Dear Friends, Greetings from Brasil! We remain in a perpetual

Boys studying with Stefania

state of quarantine. The

boys are not allowed to go to school or church and the after school program has been suspended. The resulting isolation has brought about increased difficulties between the boys.

The government has finally organized itself in relation to schools. Classes are still all virtual, but no longer centralized in the state government. The local schools now have more autonomy to participate in the online education. This change has impacted our boys' education in a positive way, as now they have video lessons online with their teachers from the schools here. Their classes are in the mornings and they are aided by Stefania who helps monitor their work and makes sure their assignments

> are completed and submitted.

Back on a Friday night in January, we received a call from Social

Services that they The Saturday that Pedro came were bringing us a

two year old boy (the next day) who would be with us for at least two months. Pedro arrived scared and unsure of his new home but soon warmed up and formed a guick friendship with the directors' daughters Rachel and Emily, who are 2 and 1 years old.

Pedro lived with us for five months, until on a Friday night in June, we received a call from Social Services that they were coming the next day to take Pedro back to live with his grandparents.



Pedro saying goodbye to

This came as somewhat of a surprise, considering we thought Pedro would be with us for much longer before the judge would authorize his return to the family.

Please pray for Pedro as he transitions to life back with his family and for the directors' two year old daughter, Rachel, who asks about him every day and misses having her buddy around.

We recently welcomed two new members to our team, Anderson and Luciano.



Anderson, came on staff to replace João Lincoln after his retirement. Anderson is responsible for maintenance, the gardens, and helps out with the boys as well. He is Jefferson's (caretaker) brother and also grew up here at the home. Luciano, works directly with the boys as a caretaker and also helps with the upkeep of the home. He worked here in this same role a long time ago. Besides already having some experience, he also, like Jefferson and Anderson, spent a good part of his childhood and youth here as an intern. According to Luciano, he is taking advantage of this opportunity to give back to the home that which he received. He has a great desire to help the boys, instructing them in the path of God together with the other

caretakers.

New water tank

Several years ago, we were mandated by the local fire department to bring the home up to code. This has been a long, arduous process, but we are finally in the end stages. Recently, we had an extensive sprinkler system installed, along with a large water tank to supply this system.

Currently, work is being done to turn several

staircases around the home into ramps to be handicap accessible. We are thankful that this project is almost completed so



the home can be up to code and we will no longer

face the threat of being shut down.



The directors of the home, Heltton and Katy Brandão, are expecting their third child, another girl, in September. Please be praying for a safe

delivery and healthy baby. We are excited to welcome our new daughter and appreciate your prayers as we transition to having three children ages two and under.

We are grateful for your prayers on behalf of this ministry, our children, staff, and us as directors. We also praise God for your generous and faithful financial contributions which help maintain the ministry here. May God bless you!

In Him,

Heltton and Katy Brandão

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welcome another sister

Zambia

Africa

It is a common misconception that Africa is hot all year round. At this time of year, the temperatures in the southern hemisphere tend to plummet quite low, and temperatures can get as low as 4 degrees Celsius (39 degrees Fahrenheit). That may not be considered to be very cold compared to Canada's icy climate, but for many people in the compounds it is a struggle to keep warm during this season.

Unfortunately, there is a tragic story that has ensued as a result of the drop in temperatures. A few weeks ago, Rebecca, a small, slight 9 year old Zambian was trying desperately to warm herself in the cold morning hours. She lit the brazier (definition below) and proceeded to throw dry grass onto the charcoal in hopes that the coals would catch fire faster. Sadly, the fire got ahold of her small dress and in seconds she was in flames. Panicking, she ran around until finally someone came to rescue her. Needless to say, the damage had already been done. She was then taken to a local hospital where she lay virtually unattended to until her body began to succumb to severe infection. Thankfully, through a group of faithful men, it was arranged for Rebecca to be taken by a small private aircraft to a mission hospital in another province which borders the Democratic Republic of

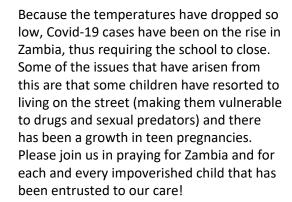
the Congo (about a 10 hour car ride from Kitwe). There she was immediately taken into the operating room, and by the grace of God, continues to slowly heal. Please pray for Rebecca's full recovery and restoration.

These are things that we do not typically experience in the western part of the world. At the same time, everyone has their share of struggles and trials (no matter where we find ourselves on this planet) but unfortunately, many African countries are still unable to meet the basic needs of their people. The reason for that can be debated, but the responsibility to help when we are able to do so, is unarguable.

Speaking of helping out, a team from the U.S. and Canada are scheduled to arrive in Kitwe in

the middle of October! They are hoping to install solar panels at the school so that the ministry would be free from having to pay exorbitant fees for electricity! Please pray that, in spite of the current challenges, they would be able to travel safely and uneventfully.

Brazier definition: a container for fire; a metal receptacle for holding live coals.



Also, please continue to pray for the school and for each and every soul - that they might come to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

As always, we are grateful for each and every one of you – thank you for praying, and for what you are doing for the least of these.

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Since we will be enrolling 120 new students in January, child sponsorships continue to be the most pressing need at this time.



Canaan Land Ministries

(Brazil)

Dear Brother and Sisters,

The last few months have seemingly flown by. It's hard to believe it's already time for the next Newsletter. We thank the Lord and all of you for the continued support in prayer and giving!

Youth Work Team

During the first two weeks of May, we enjoyed a visit from a team of 7 young people in training with Youth with a Mission. They had been studying at the YWAM base in Curitiba for a few months, then came here for practical experience. The team helped the caregivers in their homes and organized group activities for



the staff and children. It was an encouraging time for all!

Goodbyes

During the last few months, we had a few kids leave. The first was I (9), who spent a month with a couple in Rio for a possible adoption. However, both parties decided it wasn't going to work out. So, he returned to CLM at the end of July. Please pray for him, as this is his second failed adoption attempt.

E (13) went to live with his father, one state to the south. Please pray for his adaptation and that he will be able to get the services he needs for his educational needs.

New Kids

W (10) arrived at CLM in May and spent less than a month with us before returning to live with his grandmother. We continue visiting them to see how things are going. After W and E left, while I was still with the adoptive family, we got down to 13 kids, the lowest number we've seen in several years. We are now at 15, and we believe that with schools reopening after Covid-19, we'll see more children arriving. The schools play a significant role in identifying cases of children who are at risk.

Just a few days ago, we received T (15).

He lost his mother and grandmother to

Covid-19, and no other family members were



Ana Paula, Hoelynton, daughter Esthefany

willing to take care of him. Please pray for healing from the grief of the loss he has experienced.

New Caregivers

God supplied our need for a caregiver couple by sending us Hoelynton (pronounced "Wellington") and Ana Paula from nearby, in Guarapuava. They have a daughter named Esthefany (pronounced "Stephanie") who is eleven years old. They are gradually learning what it means to be caregivers at CLM and currently care for P, a 14-year-old boy.

New Board Members

With the resignation of Anderson Lemke from the CLM board in May, we began a search for someone to take his place. During this process, Pastor Rogerio also let us know he would be leaving the board to return to CLM as a staff member. So, we needed two new board members. We are thankful that Junior and Felipe accepted the challenge of helping guide the CLM mission.

As of July 15, Anderson Kasnocha continues as the board president, Junior is the vice-president, Juan the treasurer, and Felipe the secretary. Junior is from the local AC church and grew up in contact with CLM. Felipe has been involved with CLM for several years, taking time out on the weekends to come visit the CLM kids and caregivers. Please pray for divine wisdom for this new board.

Turning 18

L turned 18 in July and continues living at CLM. He is still in middle school due to having spent



several years without studying before arriving here. We are providing as much support as possible as he works toward becoming more independent. Lord willing, he will be starting driver's training soon.

Back to School

During the last week of July and the first week of August, the CLM kids gradually started going back to school for the first time since March of 2020. Most of them will attend school for a week, then stay home for a week to give others a chance to go to school, respecting the occupancy limits in the classrooms due to Covid-19. Please pray for a safe return for all.

Certain of your prayers and God's blessings,

The CLM Team

Caregivers: Cristiano & Thais, Jorge & Adriana, Hernan & Tania, Vagner &

Analu, Hoelynton & Ana Paula

Tech team: Altair (psychologist), Tiene (social worker) Board of directors: Anderson, Junior, Juan, Felipe

Support staff:

Bethany (marketing/communication, education, administrative)

Wal (teacher/tutor and substitute caregiver)

Danielly (finances/administrative)

Carlos (maintenance)

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Because of Covid-19, there is widespread apprehension amongst the citizenry and most people have taken to staying at home and avoiding public gatherings. Following the reopening of schools in January 2021, the government had relaxed a lot of the bans on social gatherings. But in reaction to the trend of increases in Covid-19 cases, the government has again reintroduced restrictions on public gatherings and church services funerals and weddings are not to exceed two hours.

The churches continue to conduct services, to the glory of the Lord. However, low attendance at services is a problem facing the Mission and this has affected the levels of offerings and tithes now being received. The churches are therefore unable to raise enough income to meet the running costs. The churches have also not been able to support the Head Office as they used to. We are trusting the Lord to see both the nation and Mission through the current difficult times. The churches have intensified home visits of members and are using the internet for Bible studies.

The school remains open and all Covid protocols are being observed. Attendance amongst staff and students has been very good.

The work on the school building has been completed. These included replastering the back of the building after all exposed iron rods were cleansed with chemicals, the area around the building had the soil replaced with hard-core filling, and the drainage in the centre of the school has been renewed and improved.

The activities in the hospital continue to pick up but are not yet near the pre-Covid-19 activity levels.

The youth movement held an international virtual conference on the 16th, 17th, and 18th of July 2021. The theme for the conference (which was organized by the Church at Worcester, Massachusetts, USA) was "Claiming the Kingdom Mandate". There were four presentations by presenters from both Ghana and the USA. The presentations were very lively and the

response by members was very high. We thank God for the successful conference.

As part of their 3rd quarter programme, 21 members of the youth movement participated in a three-day evangelism visit to the churches at Juapong and Fojoku, both in the eastern region. They were accompanied by four pastors. Activities included house to house evangelism, Bible study, church services and distribution of clothing items.

A rainstorm at the end of June has put the church building at Mandela in danger. It caused serious erosion on one side of the building (picture below).

We thank the Lord for how far He has brought us, and we are counting on His grace and mercy while we pray for the FEMW (Faith Evangelical Mission Worldwide) and the ACCN (Apostolic Christian Church Nazarean).



Mary Gibson

Serving at Canaan Land Ministries for 40 years

Dear Beloved Prayer Warriors,

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

Although my journey is not over yet, I would like to share from the depth of my heart what the last 40 years of ministry with Canaan Land Ministries has meant to me, what the Lord has done in me, and I believe, through me, and where He has placed me right now.

On April 1, 2021, I completed 40 years of missionary service at CLM in Paraná, Brazil. What an amazing walk it has been! When I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior and was baptized in January, 1974, I began the quest of finding what my calling was, in the Kingdom of God. In July, 1979, at Midwest Camp, God clearly spoke to me:

God: Yes, Mary, I want you to be a

missionary. Me: Where? God: Brazil

Me: With whom?

God: With Ken and Hope Pfledderer (who

were at CLM at the time)

I knew I had to hear my calling directly from God and I wanted the address. God pulled all of the details together and I arrived at CLM on April 1, 1981. My dog, Tanya, and I walked into our new home, meeting our new family of 12 girls and the Pflederer family. The biggest and most frustrating challenge was learning the language. Even though I had tried studying the language some before I came, it seemed to be of no help. So I was driven by prayer and survival.

I learned the ropes while ministering with Ken and Hope for 2 ½ years before they returned to the US. Tim and Fran Brower, who had spent a year at Nepomuceno Boys' Home, came to CLM as the new Directors. We ministered together for 13 intense years with lots of changes. We went from an all-girls home to a mixed population. Also, from a facility of 12 children to one with a capacity of 36 or a few more.

We also increased our staff, receiving Darlene (Scheuermann) Andreotti from Canada and Viktória Fulop and later Edit Balogh from Hungary. Kim and Tammy Riggenbach and Annie Hoer came from the US. Luiz and Aninha came



from Minas Gerais, Brazil, as well as lots of short termers from different countries. In 1990, when we started to receive boys, it was necessary to begin a major remodeling of CLM to appropriately accommodate the two sexes. We were running a farm with milking cows, pigs, chickens, fields to plant, and several gardens. Our focus was creating a large family atmosphere that facilitated healing and growth in our children and adolescents. The teaching of God's word and the sharing of His love were the foundation of it all. In 1996, Tim and Fran, and their children Priscila and Josiah, moved back to the US. I became the Director of CLM for the next 15 years.

The adventures continued. The remodeling of the dining room and the second floor needed to be finished. With the help of several North American work teams and a local construction company, that was accomplished. More missionaries joined us, especially Brazilian missionaries, such as Rogerio and Vivien dos Santos from Bahia, followed by Rosana Brito and Alex Caldas, also from Bahia. Ivone, Josiane, and Joanna (and her husband, Lobinho), who were raised at CLM, came back to minister for a time. Mike and Mary Cochran and Jake and Amanda Teater came from the US. Our largest number of children at one time reached 42, at which time we had 8 children under 18 months of age. The youngest children we received were twins of 10 days old. Adventures and more adventures. Learning and more learning.

Our adolescents were growing up and getting ready to step out into the world. That brought on a new concern. How could we guide them, provide opportunities for them, encourage them as any parent would do for their sons and daughters? With the help of Craig and Sandy Galat, we instituted what we called "CLM Plus". This was a program that was individualized for each of our young people who had completed High School and were ready for a Technical Course or College. We were privileged to participate in graduations in areas of Administration, Auto Mechanics, Social Worker, Secretary, Educator, Nurse and Hotel Services, and to see our young people having diverse opportunities. Besides graduations, there have been weddings and birth of many babies that we can consider CLM grandchildren, even great grandchildren. CLM Plus has been a tremendous program that has provided support and encouragement, when it was most needed, in the lives of our youth. Today, anyone who has passed through the doors of CLM (for any amount of time) are considered part of the CLM Plus family.

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We were sought out by other communities that were in need of a childcare program. With that, God lead us to build a second CLM in the city of Turvo, which is about one hour and 15 minutes north of Entre Rios. God worked a mighty work there, but unfortunately the enemy did all he could to impede God's plans of ministering in the lives of many more children at risk. My prayer is that God would be able to open the doors of CLM Turvo once again to accomplish His original plans, to His honor and glory.

With many changes in the Brazilian laws that govern childcare programs and the feeling that it was time to pass the administration of CLM on to a younger generation, I requested that a new Director be sought. My desire was to continue ministering at CLM, but not as Director. Kevin and Elaine King, from the US, came with their family to fulfill that position in 2011. Kevin's vision for CLM was a Family Group system, instead of the Large Family system. So the process to make the changes, including remodeling to provide separate units for the family groups, was initiated. The concept was for a couple to live in a separate house with 5 or 6 children, creating a smaller family unit. CLM continues with this system, having 4 family groups

and one house that receives the children when the caregivers have their day off.

I had lived in the large house with the children for 30 years, along with other singles. Changes. During this transition, God began working the idea of adoption in my heart. I was single and 60 years old. But if that is what God wanted, I was



more than willing. I came to the conviction that I was to adopt 5 children. So in 2012, I adopted Kathy Evelyn, 16 years old, Merrily Sue, 15 years old, Jonathan Thomas, 14 years old, Jennifer Beth, 12 years old, and Todd Robert, 9 years old. As a bonus came Nicolas Eduardo, Merrily's 15-month old son. We continued living at CLM and actually became one of the family groups for a time, having up to 3 CLM boys living with us. It has been a very challenging time. The two older girls ran away permanently after about 8 months. I was granted guardianship of Nicolas. After a year, I believed I was to return Jennifer due to mental problems that were dangerous and made it impossible to develop a family atmosphere. That left Jonathan, Todd, and Nicolas. Jonathan left at almost 19 years old, having several years in which he was completely alienated. In August of 2018, God bought us a house in Colônia Vitória through the donations of many who have financially supported me during these years. I brought Juraci (a special needs woman who had lived at CLM almost as long as I had) to live with us. Todd left home a couple of months short of his 18th birthday. At the moment, at home, it is Juraci, Nicolas, myself, and Leonardo (an older CLM Plus boy who is now working in the colonies and temporarily living with us). Today, I see God slowly doing a work of restoration in the lives of my children. I believe that a mother's prayers for her sons and daughters are heard and attended by the Father. In just 9 years after the adoptions, I already have 10 grandchildren.

In 2016, Kevin and Elaine returned to the States with their family. Following them, a Directorship was formed with 4 Brazilian Brothers from our church, Anderson Kasnocha being the Director for the last 5 years.

On April 1, 2021, the Directorship, the Missionary Committee, and the CLM family had a moment of recognition for my 40 years of serving the

Lord at CLM. Every detail that went into the program was so very special. A beautiful rustic bench was made with my name on it, mentioning my 40 years of service. The words of one of my favorite songs were written on a plaque that is hanging above the bench at CLM. A timeline video was produced, from when I arrived in Brazil until today. I was so very blessed and touched.

Still respecting the pandemic, I have been able to visit CLM a couple of times lately. I love seeing the kids again and getting to know the new caregivers better. God has provided the opportunity to have important contact with Merrily, Jonathan, and Jennifer. I have taken the liberty to speak into their hearts. I am so thankful. I have a good bit of contact with many of the CLM Plus kids, through messages or visits now and then. I can't wait until we can have our big annual gathering again. I am doing a discipleship with a sister who will be going on a missionary trip to Africa. I certainly am being as blessed by the Lord, as she is. Of course, there is interaction with my great neighbors and many others that I know from the community. As I continue to serve on the mission field, outside of CLM, I trust that the Lord will continue to provide direction and opportunities to share His love and His saving truth with many.



I can only praise the Lord for His calling, and the privilege to serve Him with my life. I continually thank the Lord for everyone who has and continues to walk with me, praying for me, encouraging me, and financially supporting me.

In the name of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

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Little Hands Orphanage

(Mexico)

In early May, we were so glad to have Bro. Norbi, Sis. Arielle and their kids come down for a visit with us. Bro. Norbi kindly helped with a few repairs around the property, and he took measurements for future plans for House #3. We are so grateful for his labor of love. Javier and Sis. Jacquee Marquez and family also



graced us with

a visitation. Javier was our lead framer for construction of the third house, and he was happy to see how much progress had been made. We were so very happy to have them. Towards the end of the month, we also had a lovely visit with Bro.

Thad and Sis. Betty Lumsden, the directors of the Apostolic Christian Church Foundation.

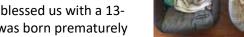
Despite the abundance of happy visits, we were sad to say our fond farewells to Sis. Danielle Gottschling, who had to leave us at the end of May. To show her our love and gratitude, the Quiñonez sisters and Leah threw a farewell party for her. We are so thankful for the time we had with her, and we will all miss her greatly!



In June, we were so blessed to have a work team come out and help with

the plumbing and electrical work in House #3! We were so happy to be able to visit with the team as well. Everyone enjoyed fresh tacos from the taco cart that came directly to Manos Pequeñas!

At the end of July, God blessed us with a 13day old baby boy who was born prematurely



at 7 months old. We also



received a sweet baby girl into our care around the same time. Please keep these precious babies and their devoted caretakers in your prayers, as well as all of the other children and staff who make up the Little Hands

Please remember us in your prayers and support! And

please pray about planning a visit or

mission trip with us anytime. We would be so blessed to have you!

The Little Hands Orphanage Family

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PROPERTY NEEDS:

Present Needs:

- Additional funds going toward the completion of the House #3 project
- Any Items for furnishing House #3 (i.e. newer appliances, beds, mattresses, couches, tables, chairs, etc.)
 - *Please reach out before donating specific items to see if they have already been given or promised*
- An additional orphanage van
- Construction equipment donations

Near Future Needs:

- A proper secure fence lining the inner portion of the property. Estimated Cost: \$23,000 USD.
- More Caregivers are needed (especially in the form of couples!)

Prayer Requests:

- > That the overseeing committees would be granted wisdom in the executive decisions that are made for MP.
- > That the caregivers would have complete peace and joy in all their labors with the children, and be given Godly wisdom for day-to-day dealings with the children. Also that the caregivers would feel blessed in their roles: refreshed and renewed to daily continue on in God's work.
- > That the staff (admin and caregivers) would all work together toward this calling, with a vision and focus set on Heavenly things.
- > That the children would come to know Jesus. That they would know with certainty, no matter who may have rejected them here on earth, that they have an Everlasting Friend in Him.
- > That they would find their value and identity in CHRIST, despite earthly circumstances or hurts.
- > That God would prepare Glenn and Amara Jahn spiritually, physically and emotionally for their move here in November, and that He prepares them for the spiritual battles they will certainly face.



Trustee Corner

(ACCF)

Prayer requests for Smaller Churches

Please be aware or reminded that some of our smaller Churches have needs beyond what they can comfortably meet- financially and spiritually.

Parking lot upkeep, building mainrtenance, operating expenses, septic systems and other things can weigh heavily on smaller Churches- especially when they come as a surprise. Many times, these financial difficulties detract from spiritual opportunities.

The ACCF has a **Small Church Fund** established

to assist smaller congregations with unexpected or unmanageable expenses. Some individuals and Churches have donated generously to this fund to finacially assist these smaller fellowships in their times of need.

And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. -Acts 4:32 KJV

This is also true of spiritual needs. Some of these fellowships would greatly appreciate it if you relocated to help them reestablish and grow- bringing the Spiritual gifts the Lord has given you to encourage, teach, evangelize, motivate and support. We have mission fields and opportunities already established in North America.

Please pray for these Churches and prepare your heart to be moved by God's Spirit to respond: physically and spiritually. The ACCF is here to assist you as you follow Him, any way we can.

What can be wrong with our vision?

Painting window frames with impaired vision can give a false sense of accomplishment when reviewing the results on clear glass after corrective cataract surgery. That is a matter of perception, but have you ever stubbed your toe against the furniture in the dark? You probably have, and the cause was not your poor vision. So what is affecting vision?

The obvious cause is insufficient illumination, of course. Light is needed to avoid collisions! For this, there is a fitting slogan: "Without light, there is no vision!"

We recognize there are different kinds of light for different purposes. Some, depending on their brightness, are more beneficial than others, which can actually hurt us, like in getting sunburned skin.

There are not only the dim ones, like a flickering candle, but also bright ones, pleasant colored ones and even deadly ones. Some lights point the way through darkness of night, others make sure we don't shipwreck on the rocks and others let us know whether it is more or less safe to cross an intersection. Another form of light is used to perform delicate surgery on the human body, and a stronger, more powerful version, cuts through metal like a hot knife through butter.

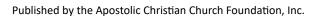
However, there is but one, fog and darkness penetrating light that is really worthy of our attention. The creator of all, including light, declared it unto us according to John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

That is the only source of illumination capable to give us far better than 20-20 vision for any purpose, regardless of how dark the night might be; and dark it is and getting darker by the day.

Consider that light can also be manipulated in many ways. One, by being reflected; and knowing this, great care needs to be exercised in reflecting light in purity. The reflecting mirror needs to be perfect to render light around us without distortion.

Let us pray to be reflecting the light of Christ in truth and clarity by our living witness!

- submitted by Bro. Dan Hertig, ACCF Trustee



Mission Paraguay

(South America)

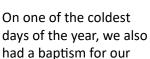
This past semester we were challenged by our Spiritual Maturity Class. Over 40 students from all ages participated and



graduated in June.
Gabriel and Hadassa, the teachers, encouraged the weekly class to walk in the Spirit and not by

emotions or feelings. In the next semester we are moving toward classes in Leadership with goals that every member become

ministers of HIS WORD, and every home an extension of the Church.



young people who received Christ as their Savior and were being discipled through the courses offered at church. We praise God for this amazing group that is growing up in Him.

During this time of pandemic, there are still restrictions of 150 people meeting in closed spaces and 150 gathering in open air. Since our church is young and growing, we are able to sit, comfortably distanced.

We are also taking advantage of being allowed to meet in small groups in homes. This is a perfect setting for spiritual growth through small groups. Since "every home is an extension of the church", we encourage our members to prepare themselves to open "church" in their homes where people feel more comfortable to share and open



up. Every age group is reached, from children all the way to adults. God's name is lifted up even during the

week in individual homes through praise and worship, prayer and Bible

studies.

We are also thankful for the separate auditorium for the children. Our next project, with your help, will be the classrooms. Everything is prepared to start laying the bricks. We are thankful for every donation sent in for our children's projects.

Oscar and Karen Caballero

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Paraguay Mission – Kids ministry and Social Project "School of life"



Looking back on our first semester, we can

see how many amazing things God has done for us and among us. The Bible verses that the Lord has placed in my heart during the last couple of weeks are: "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above

all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be the glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." (Ephesians 3:20-21). And to testify how these verses came true for us, I want to share a little bit about our Kids Ministry and some great events that happened in June and July.

The Social Project Escuela de Vida (School of Life) is still on pause, but as we mentioned, we continually worked with the kids during the pandemic through small groups that happen every day of the week, along with the Sunday Kid's service that takes place every Sunday. As a closure of the first semester, we had a special event called "An afternoon with Jesus"



that happened on a Saturday, from 1:30pm to 5:30pm. Following all the health protocols, we invited the children from our small groups to participate in this event. We had over 55 kids present. All of them had an authorization paper, signed by their parents, allowing them to come and spend the afternoon at church with us.

This special occasion was prepared with a lot of

prayer, fasting and training. Our leaders group consisted of 20 young girls that are active in the Kids Ministry and were willing to be used by God to minister and impact each child's life. The afternoon schedule was organized with moments of worship, words, skits, snacks and a lot of surprises and gifts. Our main goal was to give the children an opportunity to have an Encounter with Jesus, to hear words of Truth that would bring healing to

their souls and life to their spirit. We saw how God moved among them, touching and impacting every little heart, and we had great testimonies spoken by the kids themselves of how much they were transformed by the Lord.





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At the very end, we had an opportunity to take the kids to the balcony above the classroom construction and share with them about dreams. Then we challenged them to write their dreams on a small piece of paper and tie it onto a balloon filled with helium. After saying a prayer, we said a prophetic phrase out loud: "I will live God's dreams for my life" and we let the balloons go. It was such an amazing experience because every child really decided to give their dreams up to the Lord and live to fulfill His purposes for their lives. This day was the beginning of a new life for the kids, for the leaders and for the Church.

After this great event, we started a special project called MT 28, which happens during the Sunday Kids' services and small groups. This project

is based on the commandment that Jesus gave us in the book of Matthew, chapter 28: "Go and make disciples," and we believe that this instruction includes the children as well. The main objective of the project is to make disciples from childhood, by investing specific time to train the children to minister in services and in their respective small groups, through

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testimonies, leading the praise and worship session and also teaching Bible verse to their friends during the meeting.

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We aim to form in each child a mentality and an identity of a disciple and to train them to develop their potential to become a leader. It's like planting a seed: once the seed is planted, we have to take care of it, water it and by doing so, we are making sure that this seed grows to reach its full potential. We know that the Word of God is a seed that is being planted inside each child, and by teaching and training them, we are taking care of this seed, until it's time for the fruit to manifest itself.

Thank you for all the prayers and support! We can already see the fruit of the investments that are made and we know we will continue to see it even more each day.

"Still other seeds fell on fertile soil, and they sprouted, grew, and produced a crop that was thirty, sixty, and even a hundred times as much as had been planted!" (Mark 4:8)

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