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Thank You for your Prayers!!

We have just returned from about a week in Honduras. We had a very successful and safe trip for which we are very thankful!

Pictured with me above is Jeanna Park. We have known her since she was a little girl. As a young person she became a member of the Hide the Word in Your Heart Club and completed all 12 Badges!¹

Her father, Rev. Robert Park has a ministry called Learning Institute of Texas which has expanded into many countries offering Bible School and Pastor's training to those who ordinarily may not be able to obtain it.

Jeanna stepped up next to her father and offered the HWH Club for the children! Recently she completed translating and organizing an expanded version of Child Evangelism's Bible curriculum for children, completing 5 manuals, 30 weeks of curriculum. Whew! That was a big job! She is pretty fluent

in Spanish having studied it for the past 20 years!

I was invited to go along on their trip to Honduras to see the children that are memorizing scripture. It was a very life-changing trip!

We landed in San Pedro Sula, Honduras and was met at the airport by one of the most sincere pastors, Pastor Pablo. He was truly a blessing for us on this trip!



The team rented a 4-wheel drive pickup truck that seated 5!² We stayed at a very nice hotel similar to an Holiday Inn Express with breakfast while we were there. Everything

is behind security bars and gates. It's a pretty dangerous town at this time.

While we were there, there were protests against the government. They put boulders and blocks in the road to block the traffic and set tires on fire! They even set fire to 26 semi-trucks from Dole! So we were praying a lot that we would not get caught in one of these demonstrations which we didn't!

LIT had shipped boxes from the US with supplies to make about 300 health packets for the families and children up in the

mountains which included a toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, dental floss, a comb, a pencil and a sharpener. These we assembled at the hotel.³



Pastor Pablo took us to an area close to his church which was quite unbelievable! It is kind of like a "shack-town" for lack of better words. There are many mothers and grandmothers there with children with no father present!⁴



The climate is similar to Houston, Texas, quite hot and these homes have no windows and are open to the elements and bugs!



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I read about the way of Salvation with the wordless book colors in Spanish to this little girl in my broken, incorrect pronunciation!¹ But she acted like she understood it all!

One of the sad realizations was to find out that most of these children are not able to go to school because even public school has many fees! Pastor Pablo shared with us that there are thousands of homes just like this on up the ridge, all full of children!

Here is another of the homes we visited.²



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This is the grandmother joyfully cooking tortillas over their outside wood oven behind the blue tarp you see in the picture above!³



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I had brought with me the Spanish version of Charlie's Ants and gave each



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one of the children a copy to look at.⁴ It's amazing how clean they are able to keep themselves in such an hard situation.

Pastor Pablo has a burden to reach these children by first **starting a free Pre K for them which would include one meal a day.** In Honduras you can start a Pre-K without much red tape. His wife is the administrator in a large private school. So they are very well equipped to take on this project, except for the funds needed. They attempted it before, but their congregation was not able to support the venture.

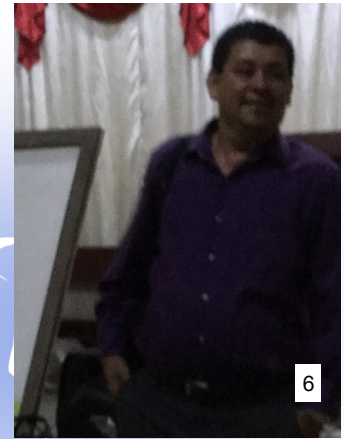
After seeing Pastor Pablo's church, LIT committed to finance the project with the repairs! They can start with a Pre-K and then add a new grade each year. First the roof needs repair, walls need repair, bathrooms need to be installed as well as windows and air conditioning.⁵



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It was wonderful to think that **there is hope for the children of this poor section!**

Next....we went into the MS13 territory in San Pedro Sula! We went at night! Our first stop was to pick up a Pastor. He was our passport to get into this area! He secretly ministers to the leaders who cannot get out of the gang, but have converted to Christianity. This pastor himself had his 13 year old daughter kidnapped. "Oh my! What did you do? Did you call the police," someone said. He said, "They



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wouldn't have done anything!" Then he replied that he fasted and prayed and after 5 days she was able to escape!⁶

So he was our passport to get into the area. Pastor Pablo said even he wouldn't ever go in there without him!

As we approached the gate we rolled down all of the windows and turned on the inside light. When they saw the pastor we were let in. We traveled like that the whole time we were in there!



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Here I am pictured with some of the children that live in that area!⁷



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Jeanna gave them well organized Sunday School curriculum in Spanish and gave them a class how to use it!⁸ That's the hope! Reach the children.



The next day we packed up to make the 5-6 hour drive up into the mountains to Esperanza and Delores. Before leaving we picked up Pastor Pablo's son, Jonathan¹ (pretty fluent in English) and a dentist named Jessica. Our team of 5 set off for the mountains where the Lenca Indians live!

We arrived in Esperanza and unloaded our luggage at Hotel Huella Lenca² which is a lot like Trinity Pines near the Houston area; nice with a trek to and from the front office. It is owned and operated by World Vision.

After leaving our luggage we traveled to Delores which is about an hour up in the mountains and part of the way there via a dirt road! We arrived at Fernando and Seinia's home, who have two rooms in the front of their house, one a clinic and the other a library that Jeanna has set up.

Arriving there Jessica the Dentist set up to apply fluoride to the children's teeth³ to help pre-

vent cavities. She treated 52 children that day.

Not being a fluent Spanish speaker I was looking for a way to communicate with the children. I had brought a Spanish children's Bible⁴ so I would ask them to read to me. That was very wonderful! I had also brought some small baby dolls and hot wheel cars so I rewarded them for reading to me! Also I was able to give some very basic guitar lessons⁵ using the guitars donated to the work there.

John and I had prepared some packets with a wordless book bracelet and a tract about the bracelet in Spanish



included!⁸ These turned out to be a real blessing! Pastor Pablo especially loved the packets!

We also went out into the countryside to visit the homes. It

was very interesting to see how they lived. We would greet the people and give and put a wordless bracelet on them then Pastor Pablo would share the meaning of each bead explaining the Gospel.⁶

In the picture above Pastor Edmond is praying with a mother holding a baby to receive Christ.⁷

Walking and climbing was hard and it was hot, but it was worth it! Really enjoyed this time! Notice the bracelet on this dear sweet lady's wrist!⁹ This family, and most of the families, are coffee farmers.



Hide the Word In Your Heart Club in Honduras!



Pictured above are 6 members in Delores.¹ This next picture is from higher up in the mountains! There are now 17 members there!² The lady in the picture is Seinia, the doctor. She has been instrumental in starting the club up higher in the mountains where her husband is from. Six of the members have their second badge! In the states we award metal badges or patches, but there was a problem getting the metal badges through customs so they came up with the brilliant idea to use iron-on badges!³ They brought the sashes from the states. A sweet lady in the states has a ministry sewing them for the Hispanic clubs in Honduras, Mexico and Cuba.

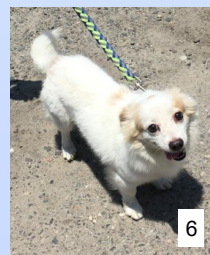


It's very wonderful to know that the children are getting a good foundation for their life through the Hide the Word In Your Heart Club and the Basic Bible curriculum that Jeanna Park is developing in Spanish, demonstrating and training the local people to use. I believe she brought in 4 sets of 5 manuals each!⁴ She has truly been working hard and doing a great job! She is a 3rd grade school teacher and has had a burden for the children to have a library and has faithfully brought in books each time she has visited.⁵

There is so much more I would love to share, but the space is running out! This trip was very life changing and touching and I am

very grateful for the opportunity to go! Thank you so much for your prayers and the love offerings to help with this trip. I'm really grateful for the Lord's protection too! We were in some very dangerous areas in San Pedro Sula. This poor little dog, Toby, belonging to Pastor Pablo, was kidnapped and they had to pay a ransom to get him back!⁶

If you are interested in helping support the Pre-K Pastor Pablo and his wife are setting up you may contact Jeanna via jpark@litexas and donations can be made on their website: Litinternational.org
Love you one and all,
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