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Joan Tyson with children from the Gwen Easterwood Feeding Kitchen in Nicaragua

### Salvations and Baptisms for this Quarter

\*Honduras

Saved - 218

Baptized - 45

\*Nicaragua

Saved - 278

Baptized - 70

\*Christian Schools

Saved - 8

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From the bottom of my heart, I say thank you to all our friends and supporters for your prayers. The Lord has been so GOOD to me. For many months I have prayed that the Lord would let me return to the work I love so much in Honduras and Nicaragua. A few months ago sitting alone in my living room, I began to pray and I begged the Lord if it was His will, to let me return to my home in Honduras and to His work. It is amazing what God has done in my life since that time. First of all, when I explained to my new oncologist that I was a missionary and my desire was to return to Honduras, his first words were, "I will never do anything to keep you from the Lord's work." He has kept his word and I left the next week for Honduras. He is allowing me to have my blood tests done there and email the results back to him to keep a check on my blood and make sure its ok for me to take the maintenance chemo pill. In Honduras, I have been working in the office, visiting different churches, going to baptisms, visiting the work in Nicaragua, and I have felt great. The doctor told me last week that my last scan shows only a very small spot on my spleen and they can't even say if its active. I will have to wait until my next scan. But everything points to remission. I feel good; I eat good; and I am HAPPY. What else could I ask for? This is why from the very bottom of my heart, I say thank you for praying for me! The doctor says I am a miracle.

Stephany and I came in from Honduras on November 3rd, then traveled on the 5th to Gatlinburg for the yearly MLC Ladies Retreat. I came back with a greater desire to do more for the Lord. If you have never attended one of these retreats led by Mary Lynn Crider, then I highly recommend it. These ladies have done so much for Good Samaritan and they have taken on an even larger project which is a new kindergarten building. We have 90 children in our first year of kindergarten and we are having to borrow classrooms. We can't accept anymore children in kindergarten or 1st grade until we get a bigger place. Since the beginning of this project, which we started last year, these ladies have given over one half of the \$100,000 that we need. We want to start digging the foundation next month. We need your support and your prayers. This is the best way of reaching the parents of these children. It is a ministry, not just a kindergarten.

What I have experienced in Honduras this year is indescribable. I have sat in services where my heart was overflowing. I have been in the presence of people who have come for miles on the back of a truck or walking in the rain. There are reports of salvations and baptisms coming from everywhere and especially from the radio stations where people call in saying they want to be saved. Every ministry's purpose is to win souls especially in our schools. Stephany and her boyfriend saw 6 dormitory girls receive Christ and 8 rededicated their lives and the next week, she and her friend, Lineth, saw 2 more saved and some 25 rededicating their lives. "The fields are white unto harvest, but the laborers are few..." Pray the Lord will send laborers unto His harvest.

Stephany and I are returning to Honduras on the 17th of November. These will be busy days with all the graduations and Christmas just around the corner. A large group from the States will visit us for the week of graduations. A big service is planned for the Bible School graduation and also 7 pastors will be ordained. We have 104 graduating from our high school and over 100 in elementary school.

Please remember our project for the new kindergarten and don't forget the Children's Christmas to put a smile on a child's face. Thank you again for praying for me!

*Joan Tyson and Family*



Pastor Mark Davis, principal of Loganville Christian Academy and associate pastor of Yellow River Baptist Church, baptizes 12 people under the hot, hot sun of Choluteca. He brought a group of 30 students from LCA to see the work. Behind him, stands 4 of our pastors.

From left to right:

- Natanael Aguilera (El Carmen, Hon)
- Luis Pastrana (Azacualpa, Hon)
- Rodin Sanchez (San Jeronimo, Hon)
- Donaldo Aguilera (Choluteca, Hon)

After the baptism, we visited Pastor Donaldo's church in Choluteca. What touched us all was to see so many young people involved in the church and leading worship. As you can see, the people were definitely worshipping! It was a great service!



Pastor Danilo Hernandez preaches to a group of 7th graders of our school at a youth retreat. Every few weeks, our school will have a retreat for our students by grade and Danilo comes to preach for them. He is one of our best pastors to work with kids and young people!



As mentioned above, we had a group of students from Loganville Christian Academy to come visit us in Honduras. This was a GREAT group of kids. While they were there, we went out on the back of a big flat bed truck and gave out food bags and candy to the families and children we met on the road. We all had such a good time! Remember the church that was in danger of being washed away by the river behind it and God touched someone to give for a retainer wall? Well, that church desperately needed a paint job. The LCA students took on that project and had the whole church, inside and out, painted in a day and a half. However, that is not all they did. While some were painting, others helped cook the food for the feeding kitchen, others played with the children outside, and there were some that even volunteered to wash the pastor and his family's clothes. These students truly ministered to this community and it was such a blessing to have them there.

If you and your church, or youth group, or even school would like to come visit us on a mission trip, we would LOVE to have you. God has used our groups to come and do great things for the people of Honduras and Nicaragua. The best part is that they are not only blessing the people in Central America, but they also leave blessed as they witness what God is doing in these countries. Take a step of faith and come visit us.

**For more information about our mission trips, please call our office and speak with Rebecca, our office manager and group coordinator, at 770-459-4058 or email us at [office@goodsamaritan.ms](mailto:office@goodsamaritan.ms).**



We were visiting our church in Duyure, Honduras and found this drawing on their bulletin board. The church in the middle is the main church where we were and the other small churches represent all the mission churches that have branched out by the main church. This is the way Missionary Bob Tyson taught our national pastors and churches to expand and branch out into the outer communities!

This little church is one of the churches in the drawing above. It is in a community called Tierras Coloradas about 30-40 minutes away (in a car) from Duyure and it is way up into the mountains. We had never taken a group there before. We learned later that the pastor rides his bicycle an hour to get to this church every week to preach. We are blessed to have faithful and dedicated pastors for the Lord's work!



We visited this home while giving out food bags in the villages. This is a typical kitchen for someone in poverty in Honduras. It truly reminds us how thankful we should be for our homes and what God has given us. However, people like the ones in this home have an unshakeable faith because they have nothing else to trust in besides God.



In October, we had the greatest blessing in having Sandy Payton and her son-in-law and daughter, Jason and Missy Waldroup, and their children to come to Honduras. They sang in several churches, schools, radio stations and we also held a big concert in our tabernacle. This family touched hearts everywhere they went and they connected with everyone they met (and their kids connected with every animal they met too!) It was our blessing to have them spend a week with us and we can't wait to have them back!



Every year on the last Sunday of September, Honduras celebrates a nationwide holiday called BIBLE DAY. All the churches march in the streets holding up their Bibles celebrating its translation into Spanish. This year we celebrated 446 years of our Spanish translation of God's Word. The above service was held in the village of Caire after the march. There was not enough room in the church for all the people.



We loved to see the smiles on these kids faces at one of our churches as we handed out their new school shoes that they received from the Opportunity of a Lifetime sponsorship program! Thank you sponsors for making this possible!!



We finally got our container shipped out!! If you remember, this year we have been asking for items that you could donate so we could pack it and send it on our container to Honduras. You all blessed us with so many things that we thought we wouldn't have enough space!! Thankfully we were able to get everything that we wanted to get in there!! And we packed that container full. 342 boxes full along with a 700 lb. transmitter for the radio!! We want to thank everyone who showed up to help us load all the items in the container. We definitely could NOT have done it without you all in the 2 hours we were given to load! The container has not yet arrived in San Marcos. Right now it is in the capital of Tegucigalpa waiting for custom clearance, but Lord willing, by the time you get this newsletter, we should have it in San Marcos! In the next newsletter, we'll post pictures of its arrival.

If you'd like to do something special for Christmas for your **Opportunity child**, remember that you can go to our **online store** at [www.gsbmonlinestore.com](http://www.gsbmonlinestore.com) and you can order all kinds of toys, personal items, household items, and more for them and they will get it in our store in San Marcos!

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Please remember our need for a kindergarten building! We want to provide our kids with their own space to grow and learn. Help us pray that God will provide the needed funds!  
Thank you, Burl and Gayle Wilson, for making it possible for the above twins to hear about Jesus in our kindergarten!