



Providing a Christian education today and a hope for tomorrow...

## Let the little children come unto me | The Dodd's

The New Testament gives us a vivid picture of Christ's love for the young and tender hearted.

This summer, our mission team was privileged to visit the Nicaragua Christian School in Leon, Nicaragua. Our first interaction with the school was on Sunday afternoon when we visited the campus and six precious souls dedicated their lives to Christ. Some of these new converts were parents of the children attending the school. We thank God that the staff is sharing their faith with the students and parents.

Later in the week, we spent the entire Thursday morning on the campus. This school is blessed with sufficient land for the children to have room for outdoor play and field events. The actual classrooms are clean and nicely decorated.

Caring teachers place a premium not only on the importance of education, but assisting their students in growing "in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and men" (Luke 2:52). We participated in chapel with the students, teachers, and administration. The children also showcased their talents by providing a gift of art to each visitor that morning.

As a couple, we learned that a child can receive an excellent Christian education through a monthly financial sponsorship. A child will receive this education if sponsored for only \$30.00 per



month. For an additional \$10.00 per month, the child will be fed nutritious meals. We realized that for many, perhaps not all, a small sacrifice will provide this blessing to a child.

It was wonderful to witness the eternal difference that people that support Nicaragua Christian School make by their prayerful, financial, and physical contributions. We pray that God will continue to bless your efforts to His glory.

## A Day at NCS | Xiomara Perez

*Xiomara (Nicaraguan Director of the school) sends weekly emails to the board with highlights from the previous week. The following excerpt is in her own words, letter for letter. Her English is much better than most of our Spanish, and her love for the children is loud and clear.*

My dears sisters, brothers and friends, let me tell you about my sweet children, always my children are working very hard with the teachers, they are learning their classes and also about the Holy Bible. Some children have many, many difficult when parents dont help them in home with homework or studing.

Angelito 1 grade was going to the doctor with his grandmother and doctor shange some medicine, because it was not doing very well for he. Jose Antonio of II level also had appointment with the doctor 15/08/12 but, doctor can not do test, because he have so much energy and he can not to be calm. So they comeback 17/08/12 and the doctor put more anesthesia, it need to be one time but the doctor put him two times, so when he sleep the doctor can do the test, it was hard and my heart is sad,



Ryan and Summer Bush



Time for more Christmas boxes!



*VBS Puppet Show*

when the doctor finish, the aswer was: Severe disorders of behavior, aggression, impulsivity and hyperactivity, the doctor send a list about the medicine he need soon, so I buy the medicine Friday in the same day and give to Joe Antonio's Grandfather, this man give thank God and also to you for your help and special your prayers. Please i ask you all for your prayers, for my children, teachers, parents, workers of school an for me. THANK YOU! We love you!!!

## VBS in Leon | Ron Harper

For the fourth consecutive year the Minerva Drive church of Christ conducted Vacation Bible School at Nicaragua Christian School in Leon, Nicaragua. This group of nineteen people from Murfreesboro, Tennessee has been doing an overseas VBS every year since 1994.

The group was in Nicaragua June 30 through July 6. Bible school ran from the July 1 through July 4. For two hours each day Nicaraguan children enjoyed singing songs, puppet shows, and Bible classes. Each day they learned the stories of Jacob, Ruth, the Prodigal Son, and Zaccheus.



*Murfreesboro Group*

Many hours of preparation time went into this effort. The group from Murfreesboro started meeting in January and every Sunday, for two hours, they worked diligently to prepare for those four days in July. All that preparation time was richly rewarded by the smiling faces of so many children. They have been a great blessing to our lives.

The friendliness and warmth of the people in Nicaragua is truly amazing. The people of Leon are so receptive to the Word of God. It is obvious that God is opening a great door for the Gospel in this beautiful Central American nation. Every time we go back the church is larger than it was the year before. We thank God for the opportunity to be a part of this great work. If God wills, we will return for a fifth Bible School in 2013.

## Upcoming!

### Golf Tournament

*The 2nd annual golf tournament benefitting the school will be held Monday, October 1 at the Jackson, TN Country Club. Sponsorships start at \$150.*

### Christmas Boxes

*Please help us reach our goal of providing a Christmas gift for each child at Nicaragua Christian School.*

- 1. Fill a shoebox with items from each of the categories listed below.*
- 2. Wrap the box and lid separately in holiday wrapping paper.*
- 3. Indicate whether the gift is for a boy or girl and place \$5.00 on top of the box to cover the cost of shipping.*

*All boxes need to be at Campbell Street Church of Christ no later than September 16th.*

### More Information

*For more information about either the Golf Tournament or the Christmas Boxes, please visit our web site at [nicaraguachristian.org](http://nicaraguachristian.org) or contact Christy Lovelace at 731-427-9511.*

## New Residents at NCS

*Ryan and Summer Bush returned to the campus of the school on August 1st to live and work. Summer spent over a year at the school and returned home to get married and to prepare for living in Nicaragua.*

*God has blessed the school tremendously by bringing the Bushes to campus. The children, parents, and staff already know and love Summer and will soon feel the same about Ryan.*

*Congratulations Ryan and Summer on your recent marriage and know that God is with you. We look forward to watching the blessings God will pour out in Leon through you both!*

## Sponsorships for 2012

Each year more children join NCS. If you would like to sponsor a child you can for \$30 per month, \$360 per year. If interested contact us for a sponsorship form.

### Contact Us:

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If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution to sponsor a child or toward the building fund, please contact us or visit us on the web at [www.nicaraguachristian.org](http://www.nicaraguachristian.org).



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