



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

## Bible Curriculum Training | Kathy Henton

Having served in the past as missionary in Argentina and presently on a team to Metro Miami, I never imagined that I would be involved in the Lord's work in Nicaragua. But Judy Bentley, a fellow teacher at Jackson Christian School and my sister and friend, had a burning desire in her heart to assist the teachers of the Nicaragua Christian School by providing a Bible curriculum for them. She had one little problem: the language! That is where I came in and I am grateful to have been asked to participate with her and with Stephanie Brown, a fellow JCS Spanish teacher, in this work.

God enabled the creation of a program for all age levels that provides knowledge of the Scriptures through illustrated stories, memorization, age appropriate work sheets, review cards and fun activities. He was gracious to answer our many prayers for help and guidance as he led us to resources and assisted us in adapting them for this particular purpose. The willing help of others to sew child sized Bible costumes and to color, copy, paste and print provided additional rich dimensions. I observed that his gift of abilities for each of us accomplished more together than any one of us could have done singly.

At the Nicaraguan Christian School, the memory I will most treasure is the earnest participation of the teachers in the seminar that was provided for them. We began with an emphasis on their relationship with God and a presentation of



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his great love for them as expressed through Christ. We are praying fervently that the seed sown in their hearts will bear rich fruit through them and through the many children that they will teach. They received the curriculum material enthusiastically and seemed confident to be able to implement the program that they were presented.

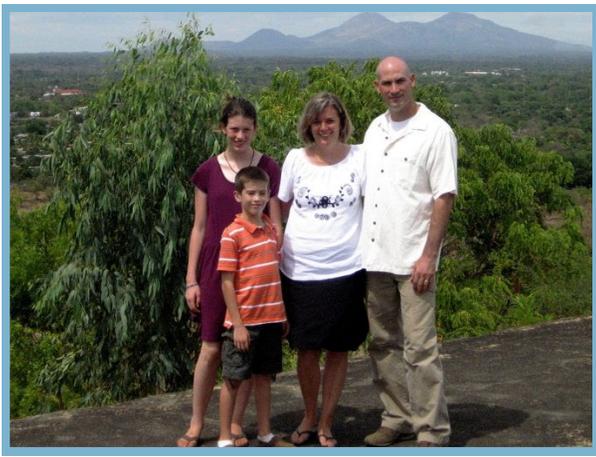
May God's great mercy and grace be evident in the effort to provide a Christian education for some of the poorest of the city of León. May he be glorified in that place as he is in heaven and may many souls be prepared for eternity through the service of those who work tirelessly to that end.

## 2012 Graduation | Tim Agee

The 2012 school year ended at Nicaragua Christian School with the sixth graduation of the five year old preschool class moving into the first grade. Thirty five hardworking, well mannered children made this move accompanied by their parents.

This was another busy year for NCS. There were 278 students attending the school which won several academic awards. New Bible curriculums have been started, a kitchen was installed on premises, a chorus has been inspired, a soccer team began and many other improvements. God is at work in these children's lives.

Next year, we will begin our final year of elementary school- the sixth grade. This means in November of 2013 there will be



*James, Kim, Kora, and Jaden Bracken*

another graduation for these students moving into high school. Please plan to attend this dual graduation. It is our desire to take a large group to the school to show our support and to show off the growth of the facilities. Start planning now to make this trip. What a great way to spend the Thanksgiving season with your family.

## The Brackens Return Home

James and Kim Bracken, along with their children Kora and Jaden came to the campus as full-time missionaries in January of 2011. They have worked tirelessly at the school and with the 6 churches sponsored by the Campbell St. church in Jackson, TN building relationships, strengthening ties between congregations, serving meals, taking ice cream to communities that have never had it, and in general, trailblazing for all those who will follow.

When they arrived in León the house on campus where they have lived wasn't quite ready. Setting up house, establishing basic services, learning where to buy groceries (not an easy thing in Nicaragua), how to drive (yes, it's that different), how to speak the language, where to find medical care, when to run the air conditioner so that they could still afford to live there, how to take care of all the visitors, learning where Kora and Jaden



*Goodbye Miss Kim*

should go to school, and learning how to deal with culture shock; these and so many more are all things we take for granted here. James and Kim have set such a wonderful example of servant leadership and God has blessed Nicaragua and all those will follow them in more ways than can be counted.

## Groundbreaking - Multipurpose Building | John Bentley

Saturday, November 24, 2012 marked a very special day in the history of Nicaragua Christian School. Not only did the preschoolers graduate, but we also broke ground on the new multipurpose building. The occasion was marked with performances by the older kids at the school who wore traditional costumes and sang with all their hearts.

This building will serve as a gym, lunchroom, meeting and gathering place, performance theater, and church building. Through the generosity of our supporters and all by the grace of God, this building will bless the children at NCS and the entire community starting in 2013.



## Sponsorships for 2013

Each year more children join NCS. If you would like to sponsor a child you can for \$40 per month, \$480 per year. If interested contact us for a sponsorship form.

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