

Heaven's Reach Ministries

Newsletter January 09

Mission Honduras

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BLESSINGS & PRAISES

1. **Albertina update**
2. **Honduras Residency**
3. **Milestones Justin and Haley**
4. **Dean began teaching**
5. **Students receive sponsorships**
6. **Melissa survived the mountains**

1. For those of you who remember Albertina (the 6month old that Cindy



brought to me from the Opalaca Mountains that **only** weighed 4lbs.) Here is an updated picture of her. I didn't get to see her in person while I was in the mountains (she

was another few hours hike from where I was) but Bayron hiked to their house and took pictures for us.

She is doing great! She is gaining weight, thriving, and doing well! God is Awesome!

We prayed for her regularly since she returned to the mountains and often wondered if she was even still alive.



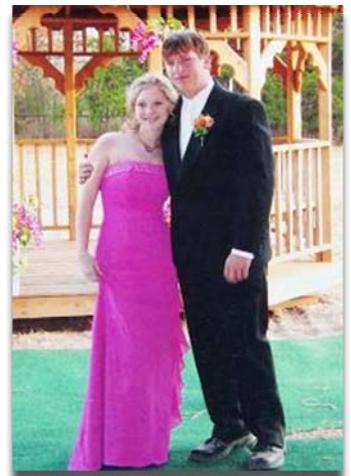
She was wasting away and dying before our eyes when Cindy found her. We weren't sure what would happen after she left the hospital and returned to the mountains, but God is faithful! God has healed her and her mother!

2. Up until last winter when we applied for our residency we had to leave Honduras every 3 months due to the new Honduran visa laws. It was timely and expensive.

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However, as of last week now are official Honduran Residents. We were blessed with a very fast process and with getting the residency for the next 5 years. We were also able to get our Honduran drivers license for the next 5 years as well!

3. Justin and Haley are reaching milestones in their lives (Justin will be 20 in June and Haley will be 18 in April.) We are blessed to be able to return to the states to spend their birthdays with them. During the time we will be there, Dean will also be traveling to conferences and itinerating. Lord willing I will be getting a 4-6 week travel nursing job to assist with some financing.



4. Dean has begun teaching computers at the local elementary school, where he plans to use the bible and scriptures as text for the computer training.

5. We were able to get sponsors for Delmar, Karina, & Ilda Berta (three sixth grade graduates.)

Also, one person is helping with other student expenses.



Delmar



Karina

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These are new applicants to Hope and a Future, a Mercy International Program. Praise God for people with the heart to touch and improve others lives!



Ildé Berta

6. I made the trip up to the Opalaca mountains (I can't even begin to describe the how difficult a trip) and I love to tell you about the trip and how God is faithful, how He answers prayers, and how even when we can't possible to something God can make it happen. It is too long a story to put into a newsletter but I will post it on our website

www.heavensreach.org and on my face book account (you can search for me Melissa Lowman or groups' heaven's reach ministries.)
God Bless you, your families, and your ministries!



PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Please pray for **our time in the states**. It is always stressful because it costs more, because we are torn about not being here, we no longer have a vehicle so we don't know how we are going to get around, I'm going to try to work some while I'm there and to be honest I'm not sure how my kids will take this because I'm gone so much and when I return I'm going to work, but it is needed.
2. Pray for **our Spanish language skills**. Our communication issues here are our biggest obstacle. We would like to attend language school for 2-3 months when we return to Honduras, before Henry and Cindy head back to the states.
You just can't be as effective if you can't just sit down with people one on one and talk. We realize more and

more every day that we need this and we just aren't learning what we need on our own. It is very difficult for especially me.

3. Pray for the **Lords' work and will** to be done here! **Pray for the Honduran people, the Hope and a Future Students, Mercy International and all the staff here.** We battle many things that are here; generational curses, wives tales, witch craft, oppression, poverty, and many other things. Sometimes it seems as though we are planting on the way side and rocks, but I know that God has sent us all here for His purpose and plan and that there is good soil, so please pray that we find that and that God will show us how to plant His seeds and grow them for His kingdom!



God Bless you all!

Dean & Melissa Lowman