

Heaven's Reach Ministries

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Mission Honduras

Showing, Teaching, and Releasing God's Love

Hello Everyone! I am sorry it has been so long since I've written and let you know what we've been doing. Time just seemed to fly by while we were in the states. I was able to work some while in the states and while it gives me the opportunity to keep my skills and registrations up it really blesses my heart to be able to be a part of delivering newborns and bringing joy into the world! We also attended many mission and pastors conferences. God not only spoke to us in many ways through them but he gave us the opportunity to make many close friends. We feel so blessed to be a part of Gods Kingdom!

We are now in Antigua Guatemala for 2 months of Spanish School. This will complete the 6 months that has been required of us by Mercy International so we will be able to return back to Honduras. Although we know that 6 months of classes will not make us fluent in Spanish we are praying and believing that it will allow us to be able to communicate without translators and develop deeper relationships.

During the past 2 weeks in Guatemala we have been pleased to realize that we have been learning some Spanish as well as getting to get out in the community. The first week we visited a school that specializes in helping children that are not able to attend school regularly due to their families having to travel for work. We played games and got to hang out with the kids.

This week I've been reading stories in Spanish and I have to admit there is more relevance to the stories than just learning Spanish. The first story was about a father and son that took their horse and headed to the market. As they were walking to the market a couple of men passed them

that had left the market and they said how foolish are those two that have a horse and are both walking. The father talked to the son and they decided that the men where right and the father told the son to ride the horse. They began on their journey again. Two more men passed them and began to talk about how horrible they were because the old man was walking and the young man was on the horse. The father and son talked about it and switched places then began on their journey again. Two more men passed them and said how horrible that the old man was to make the fragile young man walk while he rode. The father and son talked about it and decided again that they were right and decided that they should both ride the horse. Then two more men passed them and said how horrible they are to both be riding that horse and wearing it down like that. The father talked to the son and they decided they were right and got off the horse and put it on their shoulders and carried it into the market.

I'll spare you the 2nd story that basically sums up the same. I can't help but wonder how many times we are on our way to doing something and we hear someone tell us we are crazy, foolish, stupid, not good enough, etc and it delays us and makes us second guess what we are doing so we change how and what we are doing then we get back on track again and someone else says something that discourages us or makes us think we are not capable of doing it or doing wrong. I believe it happens way too many times! The story tells me that we not only worry too much about what others think and that we will never please everyone but if we try listening to everyone we will end up looking or doing something stupid!

I pray that we listen to God and learn to block out the opinions of the world! In the end the only thing that matters is hearing "well done my good and faithful servant!"



God Bless you all!

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