



(Meet Marleny, our future medical doctor.)

Meet Marleny, a 12-year-old who just became a first-year student in middle school. Her dream is to be a medical doctor. Although she gets good grades at school - about 80 to 90 points, it will not be easy, even almost impossible, for Marleny to make her dream come true. Her family is too poor to support her academic years. Most of the people in her village live from hand to mouth. They can barely afford to buy the cheapest grain (corn) for survival. In this extreme poverty, it is simply too hard to pay for school. This is why the achievement of any of their dreams seems almost out-of-reach and impossible.



(Although Marleny has a wonderful dream, it is almost impossible to make her dream come true.)



(Marleny's home. With the eyes of the world, it would seem impossible. However, with the faithfulness of the Lord, we began to support her with a scholarship.)

Although it does not seem feasible from the perspective or calculation of the world, we believe in the faithfulness of the Lord. We want to help Marleny to be a doctor. We started sending her a scholarship for her middle school. If she completes middle school with excellent grades, we will continue to support her with a scholarship. After she graduates from high school, she can join us as part of our medical school scholarship program. In fact, three medical students whom we have supported with our medical scholarship programs are from poor communities just like Marleny's. We do believe that the Lord will make it happen if Marleny's dream is what the Lord has in his heart.



(Our scholarship students at Chuisajcaba Uno and Dos. Adding 37 new students this year, currently we are supporting 71 students with a scholarship. Thank you for your prayers and donations.)

In this year, we began to support 37 new students with a scholarship. Though there were many dropout students during the pandemic, we are currently supporting 71 students in total, including those who have been supported since 2018. We are planning to email to each donor a picture and basic information about the scholarship student whom the donor supports. Please keep lifting our children in your prayers. (I am so sorry to ask you this. If you are supporting our children but do not receive the email, please email me and let me know. Sometimes we lose contact with donors, and do not know if the status of the donation is active or not.) If the Lord gives you a nudge in your heart to help the children, we ask you to commit 35 dollars monthly for at least three years. Thirty dollars will go directly to a student, and five dollars will be used to hire a teacher who will take care of the children with administration and afterschool classes.



(We plan to support two dental students from this year. Picture shows the meeting with the dental students at San Carlos University to introduce the ministry of Healing Guatemala as well as the medical and dental scholarship program.)

With regard to medical and dental scholarships this year, we will select two new dental students and support them until their graduation. With the grace of the Lord, two families committed to this. These two dental students will be from San Carlos National University Dental school. Currently we have ten medical students and one dental lab student in our medical/dental scholarship program. We have already had a meeting with the dental students, and I am currently reviewing their applications. Home visits will follow this week. By the end of April, two of our new dental scholarship students will receive their first scholarship. It is essential to have faithful Guatemalan medical doctors and dentists for Bethesda to continue to serve the people of God more abundantly in the future. The fruitful medical and dental service of Bethesda with these medical doctors and dentists in the future cannot be compared to the current level of service at Bethesda! So many of God's people will experience the healing of the Lord physically as well as spiritually through the hands and hearts of our doctors and dentists. For the medical and dental scholarships, we ask a commitment of 400 dollars a month for six years. Please consider supporting our medical and dental students in your prayers.



(Bethesda hosted a mission team from Trinity Sumter, SC.)



(Trinity's medical team touched about 420 souls.)



(The team put the studs for drywalls too.)



(Trinity's team witnessed the presence of the Lord among those people, while they provided a bag of basic grains to 50 families.)

The next exciting news is that Bethesda had a mission team from Trinity UMC Sumter, SC! The twelve-membered team performed medical ministries and did some construction during their week here. Alongside the Trinity's medical team, Bethesda provided a dental team to take care of dental patients. The team could reach out to about 420 medical patients and to about 180 dental patients. It was such a blessing to meet the people in person and help them out. The people in rural area have a minimum access to medical services due to the location as well as to the lack of resources. On top of that, the pandemic made it even more difficult. Also, we were so blessed when people gave thanks to the Lord, confessing that the Lord is with them. Through the team being with the rural Guatemalans, our brothers and sisters in

those rural areas saw the presence of the Lord with and in them. Among the smiles of the people at mobile clinics, we could feel the joy of our Lord. Thanks be to the Lord!



(Alongside the Trinity team, Bethesda's dental team reached out to about 180 patients.)



(It was a blessing to experience the joy of the Lord.)

When I saw Trinity's mission team, the team seemed like trees in spring time that are budding so many leaves on their branches. During winter, the trees were holding their life within their bark, yet in spring the trees cannot hold them within themselves. I think Trinity's team also cannot hold the life of the Lord and the passion to serve within themselves. Trinity's team was the last team who came and served the people of God in Guatemala before the pandemic hit. It is the first team to come and touch the souls of our brothers and sisters in Guatemala before the pandemic ends. Because of the love of the team, I was also blessed, receiving lots of love and joy! Thank you, again.



(Thank you, Trinity for sharing your love.)



(If you plan to come to Guatemala, you are welcome!)

We are expecting two more teams at Bethesda this year. I believe that the Lord will do amazing things to his people through these teams. If you or your church plan to have a short-term mission at Bethesda,

please email me.



your pure heart before the Lord!

(With the grace of the Lord, the tile installation is in full swing. Thank you, Elder K for



(Ceiling, drywall, and other constructions will follow. Keep praying for the completion of the construction.)

Our last exciting news is about construction. We finished the resurfacing jobs on the third and fourth floor of Bethesda, and the tile installation is in full swing! With the grace of the Lord, Elder K from Atlanta supported the installation. Thank you Elder K. May the Lord who knows your heart continue to bless you according to His faithfulness. After the tile installation, the ceiling installation, drywalls, electricity, and plumbing and toilets will follow. The newly created spaces will be future inpatient wards and future mid-term missionaries' lodging. Please keep lifting up our construction in your prayers.

Peace. Luke.

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"Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." Luke 8:48

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