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NEWS BREAK

Bringing HOPE to the HOPELESS... FOOD to the HUNGRY... CHRIST to the PERISHING!

Another School Year Starts Soon at New Hope!

For the children



J. David Ford

Do you remember how excited you were to return to your classes and be with your classmates once again after your summer break? From our observation, the same is true of the children of our More Than Conquerors' primary and secondary schools in El Crucero, Nicaragua.

What better way is there to begin preparing for the return of these MTC students, than to scrub or put on a fresh coat paint wherever it is needed. This is what our New Hope staff is busy doing at this time. Every year it is the goal of those in leadership at MTC to have a more successful school year than the previous year.

So, to help prepare for this special day, Brother Ford made the trip back to El Crucero, Nicaragua to join Sister Rose who has already been there for several months. They are working together with the staff to do an overall review of what needs to be eliminated, what can be improved, and what new activities need to be implemented to make 2010 the best MTC school year ever. This is very important, as we believe, our MTC students have the opportunity to learn a greater variety of subjects than what is offered in most schools in Nicaragua.

One of these opportunities is to learn "hands on" how to use a computer. A new stock of used computers were sent to the school in the last container to Nicaragua. Charity and Faith have been busy setting up and making these computers ready for the students in the computer lab. What a blessing they will be to the students! Having knowledge of computers will open doors of opportunities for jobs when these students graduate.

Another very valuable subject MTC students are studying is English. We believe the best way to learn English is from someone whose first language is English. This is what our elementary students will have the benefit of this year. Sister Emily Crider, who has been in Nicaragua doing mission work with her family for over a year, has committed to spend a period of time at MTC teaching English to our elementary school students. This will be another great blessing and opportunity for our students.

Mike Jones from Trussville, Alabama, who is our New Hope Coordinator, has also joined Brother Ford in El Crucero to help with the preparations. Jim Tremble from Paducah, Kentucky has come aboard bringing an array of talents!

A return visitor and very important member of the New Hope team, Dr. Neil Grossnickle has come to provide medical clinics in the surrounding area among some of the poorest children in Nicaragua who can not afford to see a medical doctor. Dr. Grossnickle may be the only medical attention most of these children in these remote areas ever receive. What a blessing he is to these children!

Here's some more good news. Someone made a donation that will be a super blessing for our MTC teachers. We believe they will be the only teachers in Nicaragua who will have their own teachers' lounge, a place they can prepare their lessons, relax, or eat their lunches. To add to their blessing, the lounge will be equipped with computers and the internet. What a gift and what a moral booster for our teachers!

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We walk into a new decade here at New Hope with hearts filled with thankfulness and appreciation to the Lord, and each of you, for what you have done to... SAVE THE LIFE OF A CHILD. For that is exactly what the ministry of New Hope is all about. For if the children do not have an education they have no hope. And certainly, if they do know our Lord Jesus Christ... they have no hope of spending eternity with Him!

As I look into the coming year.... I see many obstacles looming ahead that will do their best to try to stop what the Lord has begun. But the great news is... we are not facing these challenges alone. For you and the Lord are by our side! Thanks so much for being there for "our kids"... for "they" are a "life" that you have helped to save!!!

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Here's some more exciting news. Ruth Quanrud is back again for her yearly visit to New Hope. And while she is here, we will be helping her celebrate her 80th birthday! Happy Birthday, Sister Ruth, and many, many more to come!!!

It's evident that the Lord has much in store for the children in the village of El Crucero for 2010!!!

Sister Iona

Let US Arise and Build!!!

Nehemiah 2:20

IT has been sitting idle and forsaken... just like the walls were that the prophet Nehemiah found when he returned to Jerusalem.

It is not the lack of a VISION that has stopped the building of New Hope's Technical School... it is the LACK OF FINANCES!

We have the manpower ready to ARISE AND BUILD... but not the resources.

There are many public school teachers, hospital and government workers, policemen, etc. who could be learning more about the Lord and training to be Christian leaders with computer and English skills. But, because of the unfinished facilities, they do not have this opportunity.

The technical school that could be training our students how to work on computers, which would greatly impact their futures... is slowly being overgrown with weeds!

We are being blessed to start the second semester with around 40 students from these surrounding areas. But due to the lack of facilities

which we so desperately need, we have been trying to move what seems to be an unmovable roadblock in our way!!!

As we met with our contractor yesterday. He informed us that we could put on our roof (it will be concrete to prepare the way for our second floor) and have all the pillars in place for \$17,868.

Our students, and the government people we work with, NEED this building. No, this will not finish it, but it will cover all our steel with concrete and prepare the building for the next stage.

The longer we leave our ironwork exposed, the greater the risk of losing it all.

PLEASE AGREE WITH US IN PRAYER FOR A MIRACLE!!!

WE WILL START BUILDING AGAIN IN A FEW DAYS WITH THE VERY LIMITED RESOURCES WE NOW HAVE ON HAND, BELIEVING THAT SOMEONE, OR A CHURCH, WILL ANSWER THE CALL TO MAKE THIS PHASE OF NEW HOPE'S TECHNICAL SCHOOL A REALITY!!!



Iron rebar disintegrating and rusting



General condition of property



Moses, Mike Jones, Jim Trimble and MTC students, meeting to work to save the steel so we can begin construction.

ALWAYS 100 %

It is true! ONE-HUNDRED PERCENT (that means ALL) of your gifts and money given to New Hope Children's Foundation... no matter the amount... will be used in Nicaragua to help New Hope minister to the physical and spiritual needs of the children. It's a promise! Nothing will be taken out for operating expenses here in the U.S. or for salaries or airplane tickets, etc. for any American citizen who is working with New Hope. (Unless you designate your gift to help support a particular staff member.)

Again this month, we proclaim... that "all of New Hope's needs are met according to His riches in glory"!!!

To those of you the Lord directs to be a part of New Hope's outreach to the children in Nicaragua, we want to THANK YOU in advance for your prayers and gifts... FOR THE CHILDREN!

WE ARE SO THANKFUL TO EACH OF YOU WHO ARE SPONSORING A CHILD...

What a blessing you are to the children who attend New Hope's MTC school here in El Crucero!!!

As many of you know, our school year here is from the first of February until the end of November. December and January are their vacation months.

Thanks for your faithfulness in giving each month. Our expenses here last year were just a little over \$10,000 each month (this is with no Americans receiving a salary or expense money from New Hope (unless you directed it).

As we begin our 2010 school year, let's believe together that over 100 more sponsors will be quickly raised up to sponsor the children who have no sponsor.