

# WORLDWIDE HEART TO HEART MINISTRIES

WORLDWIDE HEART TO HEART MINISTRIES, P.O. BOX 372, CARSON, WA 98610  
509-427-8585, LYMAR@GORGE.NET



**2006 Daily Vacation Bible School team from Castle Rock Christian Church**

## **ALERT!!!**

**MY HARD DRIVE CRASHED A FEW WEEKS AGO (THUS A LATE FEB. NEWSLETTER) AND ALL MY STORED EMAIL ADDRESSES WERE LOST. IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL, PLEASE EMAIL ME AT [maryf@wwh2h.org](mailto:maryf@wwh2h.org) AND I WILL RESTORE YOUR EMAIL TO MY FILE.**

**THANK YOU! I AM SORRY FOR THIS INCONVENIENCE.**

## **GIFTS FROM GOD - OUR TRUE HEROS**

*by Amy Serrano*



We want to take this opportunity now and in our future newsletters to introduce you to the brave young people that God has brought to us to be part of our family in the Children's Village. Each one has a story that deserves to be told. This month we are proud to bring you up close and personal with an incredible young man by the name of Nelson.

Nelson is 4 years old and has been with us since February of 2005. We learned of Nelson and his brother and sister through our cook, a local resident of Tegucigalpa. She told us of three children that were living on the streets with their drunken elderly father. We understood that he was sending the children out to beg for money to support his drinking habit. Our concern with children that have parents is whether or not they will give us legal guardianship. He agreed and signed them over to us.



I have spent most of the last 6 years working with homeless and abandoned children, but I'll have to admit, these children were in the worse shape I have ever seen. They were full of lice and scabies. Their teeth were rotten. They were full of every class of stomach parasite imaginable, as their bellies were all badly bloated. Their clothes were about two sizes too small, and from their odor and their appearance, one could only assume it had been days, if not weeks, since they had had any type of shower.

There is one thing I have learned through our work in Honduras. It is easy to take the kid out of the street. That can be done in one day. But taking the street out of the kid takes years. Nelson needed lots of help. He needed medical attention right away to treat his scabies and malnourishment. He was severely anemic and had lots of skin problems. We started him on multivitamins and a well balanced diet, plus parasite medicine. When he came to the home, he slept nearly 18

to 20 hours a day. In the first few weeks he would drop where he was and sleep. We would find him in the most unusual places, sound asleep. He also had social problems. Nelson had never used a toilet, eaten with a fork or slept in a bed. These were all new things that he had to learn.

Today, one year later, Nelson is a completely healthy 4-year-old boy. He will be starting Pre School this year. He has learned to use a toilet, to eat with a fork, and now sleeps in a nice warm bed every night. Nelson is an extremely loving and obedient child. When visitors come to the Village, he greets them with a hug and a big smile. He loves to be held and read to. He likes to play with dump trucks and really loves animals, and it seems that the animals at the home love him in return. Even they can feel his precious, gentle spirit. He has experienced more challenges in his four years than most of us experience in a lifetime, but he is a true survivor. His story is worth telling. This is why Nelson is one of our true heroes.

## **VBS TEAM RETURNS**

The WWH2H VBS team, lead by Tina Campbell, has returned from their third annual mission trip to Honduras. A huge thank you to the team of Dean and Rachel King, Cathy Moore, Stacey Byrum, Mathieu Fingerson, Brandon King, Tyler Stone, Jean Costello, Carol Rutledge, Nichole Rutledge, Jacob Rutledge, Miranda Rutledge, Lindarae Hovde, and Pastor John Leffler. A special thank you to Team Coordinator, Tina Campbell, for her wonderful leadership. The team ministered to over 320 children. For more details, read Amy's report below.



For the past two years Charles Anderson has supplied our Honduras VBS group with ballcaps with our H2H logo on them. There has been enough for our kids in our CHILDREN'S VILLAGE also. We would like to thank him for his generous contribution.

## **CHILDREN'S VILLAGE NEWS**

***BY AMY SERRANO***

Hello to all our WWH2H family! We have now opened the first all girl's house at the Village. Ily has been joined by 10 year old Keilyn, originally from Tegucigalpa. She was referred to us by a local pastor who was concerned for her health and well being. She lived on the streets with her mother and disabled baby brother. She has never been to school and is so excited to start next week. They are being cared for by Nolvía, our new girls' house mother. Nolvía is from Tegucigalpa and is a member of a local church there. Our new family members have bonded and are doing very well.

This month we said goodbye to boys' house parents, Guadalupe, Myra and baby Jefferson. They have served in the ministry since last July. They left because their family's clothing business needs their assistance. We have been blessed with their time with us. While we search for new permanent house parents, we are blessed with a wonderful Christian man named Baltimar, a social worker and teacher at the local school in Tegucigalpa, who will care for our boys. Since the boys know Baltimar from school their transition was very smooth.

The last several groups that came to Honduras brought many school supplies. We ended up with large amounts of pencils, **colors**, pens, **colors**, notebooks, **colors**, oh and did I mention we also received lots of boxes of **colors**! About 150 boxes! We supplied our Village children and also left a stash to ensure that they would have supplies for the rest of the year. Still we had a lot left over. With all of the extra supplies, we made packages to give to more of the needy children in the area, which allowed them to go to school. I bet you never thought sending a box of **colors** could mean so much!

The VBS team this year was a hit! It really made a huge difference to bring down young people. I love to see teens from the U.S. relating to young people at the Children's Village. Language just doesn't matter when teenage boys get together to play X-box. They immediately begin to enjoy their time together. The number of children attending the VBS this year, 320, was more manageable than the 520 of 2005, so the teaching was more effective. Pastor John Leffler of the Castle Rock Christian Church preached in three churches, including our church in Puerto Cortes. The message was definitely anointed as many came forward for salvation and rededication.

As of February, the interiors of all four houses are complete. Thank you for your generous gifts that made this miracle possible. We ask now for your prayers for the children that will be coming and for God to provide the funds to support them. God bless you and thank you for your continued prayer and support.

## **UPDATE: THREE BOYS RETURN HOME**

Three of our boys, Roberto, Eduardo and Norman, returned to their parents' homes in December. However, we are still in touch with them and are able to provide the clothing, materials and funds for them to go to school. They are all enrolled and doing well. Thank you for your prayers for them.

## **FUND RAISING EVENTS**

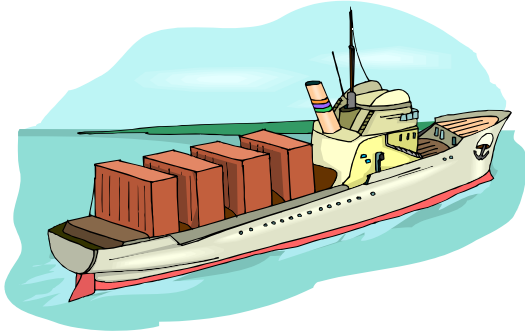
The February 11 Sweetheart Concert in Stevenson, WA at Rock Creek Center was so much fun. Thank you to Bernice and Bryce McCollum for organizing and managing the concert. The love songs presented by Bryce, Margie Michaels, and Steve Jacobs were beautiful. Especially entertaining was a surprise appearance by "The King, Elvis", with several of his most famous love songs. Who knew he lived in Stevenson???

April 22 - WWH2H Benefit Christian Concert - Stevenson, WA at Rock Creek Center. Presenting Christian Songs. featuring Bryce McCollum, Margie Michaels and Steve Jacobs, as well as several other local artists. Refreshments served. Donations accepted.

Contact: Bernice McCollum 509-427-4590 or e-mail at [corridor3@gorge.net](mailto:corridor3@gorge.net).

May 20 - WWH2H Annual Benefit Banquet - Castle Rock Christian Church - 6 p.m. - Contact Tina Campbell - [tlducks@juno.com](mailto:tlducks@juno.com) 360-274-8840.

## CONTAINER TO BE SENT TO HONDURAS



We hope to have the donated items and funding to send a container to Honduras this summer. If you are able to donate any of the following items or the funds to purchase them, please contact Mary Frenter at 509-427-8585 or [maryf@wwh2h.org](mailto:maryf@wwh2h.org).

## DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S VILLAGE

### *In General:*

1. A 60 KW Generator,
2. A Tractor to work with cutting grass, and planting
3. At least two newer computers with a printer
4. Blankets and Towels
5. Clothes and Shoes in sizes for boys ages 3 to 17.
6. Two washers and Two dryers
7. Large White Board, Large world map, Large map of Honduras
8. Art supplies, P.E. Equipment, Musical instruments,
9. Fiction and non fiction books of all kinds and for all ages in Spanish.

### *Clinic:*

1. Medicines that do not expire for at least one year (contact Karen Kearcher for a list - [karenkearcher@msn.com](mailto:karenkearcher@msn.com))
2. Medical equipment and furniture to furnish a three patient room clinic.
3. Newer Computer with printer.

### *Technical School:*

- **Mechanic shop:** air compressor, pressure washer, all kinds of mechanic tools, coveralls of different sizes
- **Welding Shop:** welders, torches, grinders, metal cutters, disk for metal cutter and grinders, all kind of tools for welding
- **Electrical Shop:** Power testers, wire cutters, screw driver sets, all kind of tools for electrical shop
- **Carpenter Shop:** all kind of carpentry tools

**PLEASE PRAY FOR....**

- Good health and Holy Spirit wisdom for Serranos, our children and their caretakers
- Complete healing from cancer for Karen Kearcher, our Medical Team Coordinator
- God’s wisdom for the board as we plan for 2006

**Print this out and mail to the address on front page**

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I want to help with World Wide Heart to Heart's work in Honduras.

- I want to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on a one-time / monthly basis (circle one) for the Building Fund of the Children's Home/Medical Clinic.
- I want to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month to sponsor a child.

I want to receive WWH2H updates. My address is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I would rather get e-mails:

My e-mail address is: \_\_\_\_\_

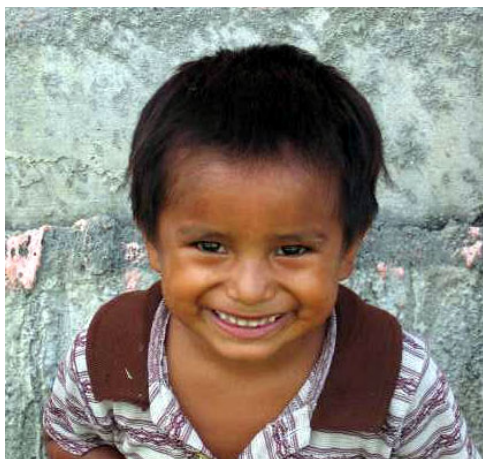
I am a skilled: (please circle)

Doctor, Nurse, Other medical training \_\_\_\_\_

Electrician, Welder, Plumber, Other trade \_\_\_\_\_

And I may be willing to donate my time and services to the children of Honduras. Please contact me at \_\_\_\_\_ (phone number) so I can get more information on up-coming trips.

One of the Heart 2 Heart’s special Children who has been with us for over a year



**Nelson 2005**



**Nelson 2006**