



Our Work Study students helping on a field trip to the zoo with our kindergarten class

2023 Team Season

In 2023, we have had the opportunity to welcome 12 teams from 7 seven states and many different churches to come serve with us at Nueva Esperanza. It has been a busy but very fulfilling spring and summer! Teams have been greeted with many hugs and smiles as our kids love meeting new visitors (and seeing old friends!).

We strive to make our team weeks accessible to anyone willing to take time out of their schedules and walk lots of steps in Honduras. Throughout the year, we were joined by team members ranging in ages from 8 years old to 85 years old! While there are many differences in our team members, the thing that they all have in common is a desire to love the kids of Nueva Esperanza and show Jesus to them.



Before teams arrive in Honduras, we work closely with them to create a schedule that matches the abilities and likes of their specific team members. Teams can focus on doing activities with our children, doing short courses with our youth, or, for new teams, doing more of an overview of the ministry and getting a chance to sample different activities.

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While each team week looks slightly different, there are certain activities that we try to include in all of our team weeks. Those activities include taking a class on a field trip, building a bunkbed and delivering it to one of our families, leading Bible studies with our youth, leading Chapel with our kids, and having a Saturday youth event.



This year we have had several teams do short courses with our youth including courses on electricity, music, sewing, flower arranging, and business concepts. Our youth have enjoyed learning these new skills, and it's been great to imagine what more we will be able to do with our program once we have the Youth Career & Training Center.



Along with activities with the youth, many teams have done VBS style activities with the kids. They've taught about creation and how we are all made unique, learned about different Bible heroes, had special water celebrations, and done many other activities. During these activities, they've sung songs, played games, made crafts, and danced. Our kids always enjoy the fun activities that teams bring!



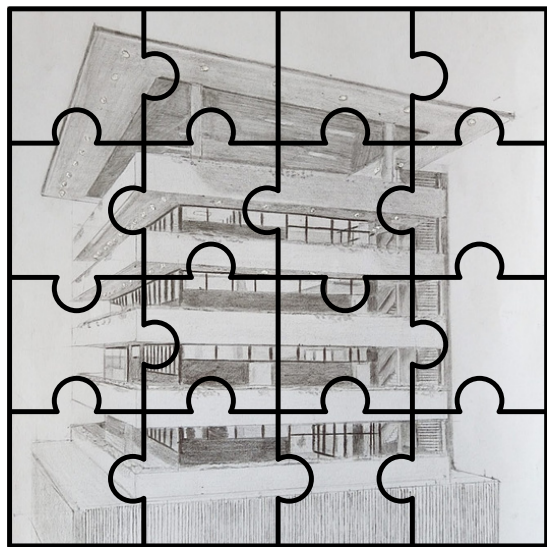
When you come serve with us on a team, you will have the opportunity to understand Nueva Esperanza on a much deeper level than you do just by hearing stories and seeing pictures. We'd love for you to join us for a week in 2024 or even further in the future!



Career & Training Center Matching Grant

Goal - \$100,000

(each puzzle piece represents \$6,250)



Help us color in this puzzle!

We are excited to share that a church has partnered with us to match up to \$100,000 of donations given by December 31st, 2023 towards the Youth Career & Training Center!

This will help get us significantly closer to our needed goal of \$950,000 to break ground and build the structure of this crucial tool for our ministry.

If you'd like to donate towards this project you can do so by going to www.hopeinhonduras.org then clicking the donate button. Make sure you designate the fund as Career/Training Center Building.

A Word from Carlos

I recently attended my mother's funeral.

A tsunami of emotions flooded my being as I reflected on my childhood. My mother, Rosa Barahona, experienced poverty unknown to most. Her parents raised her in a cycle of hopelessness, extreme poverty, and unimaginable abuse that had been the norm for generations. She never had an opportunity to attend school, learn a trade, or even learn to read.

At age 14, she was an easy prey for the 68-year-old man who promised to provide her with a better life. She delivered her first baby at age 15 and had a total of eight children from two different men by the age of 34. These eight children were raised in the same cycle of poverty, abuse, and hopelessness.



I was one of those children until the age of 10 when a younger sister and I were taken away from our village and placed in an orphanage. As an adult, I eventually came to realize that much good came from the irreparable tragedy of being separated from my family. Life-altering changes like coming to know and have a relationship with Christ, receiving a good education, and learning valuable skills all prepared me to do the ministry I do today.

I did, however, continue to struggle with why God used this method to mold me into who I am today. After spending some time at the funeral listening to my siblings who were left behind in the village that fateful day, I have also come to the undeniable conclusion that this was God's way of protecting me. My hope is that through my work at Nueva Esperanza, God is using me to bring some relief to children and youth facing similar childhood traumas. I pray that they will also experience the transformation that the Gospel brought to my life.



Property Updates

Construction is wrapping up on our soccer field in the temporary youth area! Over the last year, we have poured a cement soccer field, put on a roof, plastered and painted the walls, and put up a wire mesh to keep from losing balls.



While there are still some projects we need to do, our youth and children have loved getting to utilize this space for many activities – especially soccer!



We also accept online donations at www.hopeinhonduras.org!

Or complete and return this section along with your contribution to our Ohio address.

My one-time donation: \$ _____

My monthly pledge: \$ _____

To be designated towards:

- ☐ Bibles
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- ☐ New youth center
- ☐ Property Connection
- ☐ Wherever the need is greatest

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