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Greetings From the Andersons

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Launching Out In Class

The Honduran school year is mid-February through mid-November. At Manos Extendidas, we have successfully begun our Day Care educational programs for the 2010 school year. As you know, providing education is a vital part of our ministry. At the moment, we have five students interested in trade school classes. We will begin that program only if there are at least ten students enrolled. While attempting to maintain our original vision regarding the trade school, I have invited three non-Christian organizations who also work with troubled teens to enroll their young people in ours.

As you read our theme scripture, found in Lamentation 2:19, "Rise during the night and cry out, pour out your heart like water before the Lord. Lift up your hands to Him in prayer, pleading for your children, for in every street they are faint due to...hunger." I also add... the lack of opportunity; the lack of vision; the lack of self-worth; the lack of knowledge and other things vital to human development. Here in Honduras, I promote this statement as our motto: "Education is the doorway to opportunity." (UNICEF reports that 32% of 15-year-old Honduran children have not completed the 6th grade.) While we know true opportunity comes through a life of faith in Christ, there is, however, a lot of truth in the fact that education gets us through many doors of non-Christian and governmental institutions such as the Family and

Child Services of Honduras, and the IHNFA (which includes the Juvenile Detention Centers, Tiny houses, and other places).

Finally, Visitors are Arriving Again

Due to worldwide failing economy, and the political problems in Honduras, several teams canceled plans to visit us last year. Thankfully, that has changed a bit this year. Last month, a group of eight from Michigan visited us. The seven men, one female group built a house for a needy family, ministered at the centers of confined children, visited new moms at the hospital, served our congregation, and also put the roof on our garage at home. It is through visits, e-mails, phone calls, and your financial support that my family is encouraged by you and is able to do the full-time work of the ministry. Each of you is lifted before the Lord weekly during our prayer time at church, and by my family at home. Thank you for your sacrificial giving.

"Take up Your Cross Daily, And Follow Me..."

Speaking of sacrifice and giving, no one has out done our Lord! His death was the ultimate gift. During this month, we collectively recognize more than ever His love through the Cross. It represents suffering and death... for the benefit of others, as well as for one's self! Jesus spoke the words recorded in Matthew 16:24 because they are to be a lifestyle for us. It is all

about being a disciple and following His example. Producing fruit is the way Jesus measures our success and productivity as His followers. "Be fruitful and multiply," were the first words God spoke to Adam in the garden (Genesis 1). Also, producing fruit is the way Jesus said we would be known as His disciples (John 15:8).

Prayer Request

Laborers in the harvest continue to be our greatest need. Whether it is volunteers from other countries, or nationals we hire to help, our need is overwhelming! Last year, three couples who served with us fulfilled time commitments they had made to work with us here. We continue to suffer shortage of personal. Last month, I hired another young man from our congregation to work at Day Care Center Number One. He, Carlos, will later this year take Melvin's place in the ministry as Melvin and his wife, Micayla move to the USA to study and work. Be in prayer for the young mother who was the teachers' assistant at Day Care Center Number Two. She has been diagnosed with a terminal illness and is undergoing treatment.

Thank you for standing with us beloved.

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