



News from Norma

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Joy to the world! I bring you good tidings of Christmas love and gratitude from the jungles of Honduras! This is our 23rd anniversary working with the indigenous to propel forward the application of their natural resources and the education of the youth; every year of which stands as a witness to the beauty of the human spirit. It has been truly rewarding to watch their amazement and wonder as they grasp each gift of knowledge, as well as their joy and enthusiasm as they work to obtain a higher standard of living. Their thankfulness is a gift that I treasure for myself, and that I eagerly share with you, my fellow benefactors.

In our twenty –three years of service, we have catalyzed the construction of two Kindergarten schools, an Elementary school, and a Junior high school, a health center, and a

computer center.

built and repaired multiple churches, coffee shops, and houses for single women, as well as having repaired roads and buildings for the villages. We have worked together with groups of doctors, school teachers, women’s organizations (who have donated sewing machines and sewing materials), missionaries and charitable organizations to provide ecologically beneficial plants (including mahogany trees from the Momanasta Women’s Organization), student scholarships, and medicinal supplies.

We have also



Through generous donations, the Foundation has been able to provide heavy wood-working equipment that has improved the quality of work for the Timber and Forest unions, we have provided educational materials for learning and Arts and Crafts for the teachers, we have also worked side by side with the FINZMOS Organization to help legalized and protect the lands and rights of the Miskito indigenous. On the left picture are members of this organization teaching about the environment and legalization of their land.



Within the last few years, the Moringa plant, a plant considered to be the plant of the future and the plant of the poor, has shown significant medicinal promise to the people of Honduras; it is our plan to begin raising hundreds more next spring. If you would like to know more information about the Moringa plant you can go to Moringa.com.





The director of USAID, Mr. William Brands and his staff visited Mocoron and plan future health and education projects.

Today we continue to push forward for a better future for the indigenous people. U.S. Aid is developing well targeted projects in Mocoron and nearby villages for their specific needs that include building systems for potable water and latrines.

The Rotary Organization is helping with the installation of sand filters and various agricultural projects, as well as donating soccer balls and uniforms for the children.



Engineers have been exploring hydroelectricity (the generation of electricity from the force of the river) with hopes of finding a source of electricity for La Mosquitia.

Thanks to Arlington North Star Kiwanis for their continuous donations to buy medicines for the Mocoron Health Clinic.

Thanks to the American Academy of San Pedro Sula for donating toys for the children in Mocoron,



Our twenty-three years of service was recognized by the Avon Corporation in January 2011, when they presented me with the prestigious award of "Woman of the Year." Thank you for your help, this could not have been possible without your support.

My heart's desire for the children this Christmas

Let's not forget about the most joyful day of the year for the children and parents of the six villages- Christmas Day! The tradition of the Foundation has been to celebrate Christmas day with piñatas, bread, cookies, candies, refreshments, and balloons. In Hebrew 13:16 it reminds us, "Don't forget to do good and to share with those in need." My dear friends, these are the sacrifices that please God, for in giving, we ourselves receive. We need about \$2,000 to buy all the ingredients and supplies to make more than a thousand families happy on this special day. Let's make this year one of the happiest for them to remember.

GOALS OF 2012

1. A Vocational College- Presently, the school provides a space for students to receive a general education in grades 1st- 9th. We hope to supply additional education to grades 10th-12th, allowing the students opportunities to specialize and advance their learning. These additional three years would allow students to develop a special training certificate, assembling talents that empower students to determine their own options, and the equivalent education of a high school diploma. As we assess their current employment opportunities, we are concerned both by their rural struggles and by the easy money offered in the black market of large cities, and we expect specialized training to broaden their career options, alleviating the moral dilemma at which they

currently struggle with. An additional school building is needed to provide the space for the educational extension. This would also provide a potential ground base for aid and shelter in the event of a community emergency.

2. Hydroelectric project
3. Potable water, latrines, and solar panels
4. Galvanized Silos for food storage
5. Legalization of the indigenous land (rights given to them in 1989 by the O.I.T. Organization); the government is holding this treaty.
6. Construction of the new Kindergarten building by H.P. Corps of Engineers
7. Establish a seed bank of basic grains to assure these indigenous families have seed to plant in this unpredictable climate.

Needs of the Foundation

1. A four-wheeler to assist in the transportation between the villages (especially during the rainy season).
2. Rebuilding and repairing some of the deteriorating buildings in the Norma I Love compound.
3. A new fence with cyclone wire secured with a cement foundation for the Norma I Love compound.
4. New septic tanks for the Norma I Love compound.
5. A freezer that can be ran by solar energy through the use of solar panels and batteries or by butane gas.

May this letter find you in good health and feeling loved this holiday season. My wish for you is that life will bring you much joy and peace. I hope that you may see that all we have accomplished is because of **YOU**, my dear friends! Please think of the children of La Mosquitia and know that you have made an impact on their lives every day because of your donations. May the Lord bless you and keep you safe.

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