

Grace in response to the Covid-19 health crisis

GOD LIFTS UP THE POOR FROM THE DIRT AND RAISES
UP THE NEEDY FROM THE GARBAGE PILE - PSALM 113:7



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Covid-19 won't stop our education!

Grace Honduras has worked relentlessly during all pandemic to serve 215 students and their families who work in the trash dump, support our mission by donation through GlobalGiving to help us work in:

Distance education and from august on, presencial with biosecurity measures

We spent five months providing distance education, printing out homeworks for each students, with Whatsapp and Facebook groups, and honestly it has not worked at all. Kids are not learning, they don't have the resources to receive proper virtual education.

This is why with the city permission and all the biosecurity measures we can provide, kids are coming back to the classrooms, divided in small groups, they have their classes, eat here, take showers and take food provision. We also provide medicines and basic healthcare when they need it.

All school from preschool through seventh grade, Jennifer in High School and Eidy who finished her Bachelor's in Marketing (and is now a teacher in Grace) are being assisted integrally.



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"Stay at home" only makes sense when there's food on their tables and hope for the future.

Feeding Outreach Program



We have been providing food provision to all families in different occasions. Thanks to the San Pedro Sula Municipality, Convoy of Hope, church groups, friends and other businesses families have had our support during this crisis; we have even visited them at night in each house. Our kitchen is still open from monday to sunday so we always have food to children before and after they go to the dump. Both of our cooking ladies, Jenny and Gloria work everyday. On many occasions we have to donate food of the school. We also provide clean water to drink and a place to take a shower and wash their clothes. We donated face masks and antibacterial gel to all of our families.



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School maintenance and house construction

Thanks to our Director Pastor Jeony, our security guards and Josue (fourth grade student, who during Covid-19 we have hired, with the goal to prevent that the gang reclusion and for him to visit the dump at night), all days they have worked in transforming Grace installations. From gardening, electricity, construction and design, building a school cafeteria, making computer room work perfectly, bettering the kitchen and giving life to our project with our beautiful garden.

On another note, after six years of living inside the dump, Dona Maria and Jose Francisco (our first grade student) will have a new house! Thanks to Ruth Cheung for her support their life will change.



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Crisis Attention

Two of our students had their arms broken, baby Natalie needed surgery, we have taken two mothers who were giving birth to the emergency room. Thanks to friends our student Sonia, who was victim of a murder attempt and got their arms cut off and has been on a wheelchair for 15 years, we provided a new wheelchair and are working on getting her prosthetic arms.

Jason and Josselin, had an accident at 3am, after working all night in the dump, they crash into the concrete floor with their faces. With what we had in hand assist them and spend two weeks visiting them to clean their wounds. They are all healed now!

Management

We have been working in fundraising, studying to provide quality education to Preschool and pedagogical methodologies to better reading and writing in all school.

Our determination to serve the community and our children is stronger than ever and nothing not even a pandemic will stop us!



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