

Mission UpReach Newsletter



*By: Phil Waldron, CEO,
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Hello again from beautiful Santa Rosa de Copán, Honduras. This year as in previous years MUR is conducting

a year-end giving campaign. Our campaign this year is entitled, "A Firm Foundation." We depend on the money that you give in this year-end campaign for more than 50% of our program costs. *That means that without your contributions the children and adults that are hearing the Good News and are learning how to throw off the oppressive yoke of spiritual poverty through MUR's programs would "go away naked and destitute" as James would call it.*

You and I both know that the Kingdom that Jesus established is one that is founded on a solid foundation (Isaiah 28:16, Matthew 16:18) and as His subjects, He expects us to build our lives on Him as a solid foundation. That means that the sum total of our lives should be invested in things that are Eternaland lasting.

This year we want to share with you, the good news that with your financial help we are now well on our way to a rock solid, sustainable financial-foundation that will allow us to increase our effectiveness over the long term. **What this means is that by the end of the year 2021, one-hundred-percent of your donations will go directly to the program costs that help children and adults alike.**

Our projections are that it is possibleto reach the 100% goal

of every donation dollar going directly to ministries and programs that help the poor and the lost....by the end of 2021. That is only three years in the future. However, we still need to finish investing in infrastructure at our Moses Project to get there *and that is where you can help.*

You could give a one-time gift. You could also make a three-year commitment and give a larger sum over the next three years. Or you could make a monthly commitment and give every month for the next three years. One other option is for you to attend our first-ever, year-end, gala fundraising event to be held on November 9th at the Musician's Hall of Fame in Nashville, TN. Go to the event website at murevent.org and check it out. Henry Cho is the entertainment for the evening. It will be a fun and informative time for all who attend and raise money to help more people in western Honduras at the same time.

Please prayerfully consider our request to give ...and to give big in order to create this rock-solid foundation that will multiply our efforts on behalf of Jesus' Kingdom.

Fundraising Dinner with Henry Cho

**Saturday, November 9th,
2019. Nashville, TN.**

**Musicians Hall of Fame
Opening Act – Brian Bates**

*To learn more and purchase
tickets, visit murevent.org*



**A firm
FOUNDATION**



Two important & significant holidays

Independence Day in Honduras falls on September 15th. This day and the days leading up to it are full of parades that include almost every school age child. A child growing up in Honduras considers marching in the Independence Day parade a privilege and honor. This year Honduras celebrated its 198th year of independence from Spanish rule. Our DESEO team is always honored to be included in the parade as well as ESPERO, our deaf school. This year, like last year, our deaf students were asked to lead the parade participants in the National Anthem. The Honduran National Anthem includes seven verses plus the chorus. It is challenging to learn for hearing students, so you can imagine the challenge of learning it in sign language. Our deaf students work all year long for this moment and perform the anthem with great pride.





Another significant day in September is the **Day of the Child**, celebrated each year since 1924 on September 10th. For many children in Honduras, this day is even more significant than Christmas. Schools, churches and families plan special events surrounding this day that often include outings to water parks, food, cakes, candy, piñatas y music. Being an organization that serves 1200 students per week in our DESEO program, we couldn't miss out on the opportunity to honor and celebrate each of the children we serve. Our DESEO team prepared a special musical performance along with clowns, games, prizes and a small gift for each child. For many children, what we did for them is the only celebration they will have on this national holiday. And we truly do celebrate the children of Honduras! We fully believe that our investment today in the children we are teaching and serving will bring a great change in the community we serve.





A note from Donna



I would like to personally thank each of you for your loving support and prayers over the past ten years. Ten years sounds like a long time, and God has done many things in that time frame, but it also seems like yesterday. Yet, when we think about all there is to do, we get overwhelmed. We are so blessed

to experience results of the 9 years we have been teaching Bible and values in public schools. Our local church has young couples, moving toward marriage, who are Christians and who will have children that are raised in the Lord. These young couples are the children we started teaching

9 years ago. Imagine the impact of having a generation of Christians who have grown up in the Lord. These things take time and we are so thankful for the vision God gave us 9 years ago that allows us to now imagine an even brighter future for the Lord's church here in western Honduras. And now, God is moving us toward a more sustainable model that will allow us to grow our ministries even more. We are however at a critical place. We have "invested" for the past four years, which has been draining and challenging. We need your financial help and support to get us over what we believe to be the last big hump. Please consider giving to our year end campaign and/or joining us for our Fundraising event in Nashville on November 9th. We thank God for you and what you have done to help us get to this point. May He bless you abundantly!!

2019 Brigade Season

January 5-12	VCOM	Medical
February 9-16	Surgical.....	General and ENT
February 16-19	Pine Tree	School sponsorship
February 23-March 2	Tusculum Church of Christ (TN)	Medical
March 9-16	Belton Church of Christ (TX)	Youth-VBS
March 16-23	Lipscomb University (TN)	Medical
May 18-25.....	Oklahoma State (OK)	Construction
June 1-8.....	Snellville Church of Christ	VBS
June 8-15	Pine Tree Church of Christ	Medical/VBS/Construction
June 15-22	University Church of Christ.....	Medical
June 22-29.....	Burnt Hickory Church of Christ	Medical/VBS/Construction
July 6-13.....	Lexington Church of Christ	Medical
July 6-15.....	VCOM	Medical
July 20-27	University CofC Youth	VBS
July 20-27	Disciple Trips.....	VBS
July 27-August 3.....	Southside CofC (TX)	Medical
Sept. 28-Oct.5.....	Surgical.....	Orthopedic
Oct. 5-12.....	VCOM	Medical

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