

NEWS & NEEDS

of our Missions



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Updates provided to Julie Robie, Missions Administrator

Asociacion Civil Cristiana Congregational, Argentina

From Rev. Dr. Harding Stricker:

The Congregational Mission of Jardín América is glad to report God's wonderful guidance and blessings. As we are approaching post-pandemic circumstances, we are also facing new challenges and new opportunities to grow as financial difficulties seem to come along with rich spiritual blessings.

Our mission is currently serving the surrounding community through out-patients attention at the mission clinic, a soup kitchen, monthly distribution of 42 food bags, and the free use of a sports center. To these we added the distribution of school items to 25 children, four children studying music and three taking English classes, all sponsored by the mission.

We are offering regular church services on Sundays, youth group meetings on Saturdays, and also Sunday Bible School for children and teenagers.

Our youth group has grown considerably, and we are asking Christian professionals each two months to inform our young people about matters of their interest.

There are also difficulties as we are looking towards the future in the midst of very unstable social and financial circumstances with a yearly inflation reaching 52% in our country.

As I am writing these lines I cannot avoid mentioning with deep sadness and disruption that the sickness of my father, the Rev. Teodoro Stricker and founder of this mission is producing, both at home, as also for the mission. He has developed a Dementia Syndrome that needs attention around the clock that demands a lot of time and energy as I also take care of the mission's ministry and health service. I mention this as a special prayer request so that we may find the stamina and the strength to move forward in spite of all.

Thank you to all pray and freely spend for our Congregational Mission in Argentina. May God bless your lives and daily activities!



Blessed with school supplies

Christ to the Villages, Nigeria

From Matthew Oladele:

We see God at work in situations that seem overwhelming, and in places that seem ordinary: when we gather for worship under a tree for Sunday worship because the former building is dilapidated, when we visited the sick to say a word of prayer and encouragement, when we



Channel of blessing

gather the little ones to share the love of Jesus and his caring heart, and when we teach in the schools. All these seemingly ordinary events are what God uses as channels to reach people's heart, bringing about transformations beyond our capability. Christ to the Villages mission is proud to be a channel of blessing to many people through your partnership and generosity.

ECHO, Florida

From Amy Wiggins: Esther, a West Africa woman in her sixties, was suffering each year from the loss of a large part of her tomato harvest. While attending a recent ECHO training to learn new farming techniques and methods, she shared, "I am not a Christian, but I know that it is your God who sent you to open my eyes. I would never have imagined that it was possible to transform and preserve the tomatoes we produce ourselves, and this without even spending money. I am so happy to know that we can finally produce without any fear of tomorrow!" We praise God for how ECHO's agricultural trainings, which



Farming and faith

incorporate Biblical principles and involve local church partners for ongoing evangelism, are opening the door to share God's love. Will you join with us in praying for Esther and thousands more like her who deserve to know the life-giving grace of God and His provision for their lives – not just for tomorrow but for all of eternity!

Congregational Church of Myanmar

From Rev. Sa Do: Grace Children's home is a safeguard for needy/ orphaned children from our Mission and Chin state who have been brought to Yangon to receive education and care. We provide food, clothing, welfare, and healthcare and all their physical and spiritual needs. Due to long civil war, extreme poverty, bad leadership, many thousands of children needs the education and healthcare in Myanmar. More news of the Grace Children's Ministry can be seen on our website.

www.ccomygracechildrensministry.org



Yangon Grace Home



OGHS Ukraine 2022

The Mission and Outreach Ministry Council (MOMC) is gratefully receiving funds to assist with Ukraine refugee relief efforts. As of April 12, 2022, we have collected \$23,410. MOMC has determined that funds for OGHS Ukraine will be sent to Convoy of Hope and the Salvation Army. Convoy of Hope is a faith-based, nonprofit organization with a driving passion to feed the world through children's feeding initiatives, community outreach, and disaster response.

For information on how to donate: <https://www.naccc.org/one-great-hour-of-sharing-ukraine/>

Panamerican Institute, Mexico

From Laura Ramirez, President: Panamerican Institute has been taking online classes for the last two years, and the staff had tried to make it as fun as possible by having a few events, like the "Crazy Hat Day" in which students could show their artistic skills by showing to class in a wig or hat. We went back to in-person classes on March 22nd, 2022 and we are very excited about that! Our students were able to interact in person and get to know their school, as 2 of the 3 groups have never been in the facilities before. Only half of the school's population came back to in-person classes and the other half remained in online classes. We made sure that this was a safe return for everyone by following the Government guidelines and our COVID-19 protocol. Please continue to support us in order to make education possible for these kids. Blessings from Tijuana, Mexico!



Back to in-person classes at Panamerican Institute

Happy Life Children's Home, Kenya

From the Happy Life Directors: The year 2022 started on a high note for the Happy Life Mission family! This is the year we celebrate 20 years of giving hope to the abandoned children of Kenya. In those twenty years 890 children have been given a home and hope; with 450 of them adopted and numerous others re-united with their families. We are also celebrating the growth of our staff from only two caregivers at inception, to a staff of more than 100. As lives have been transformed, our facilities have also grown from one ranch house to a 4-storey building at our Nairobi Centre, and eight three-bedroom houses at our Juja Center that collectively accommodate over 150 children.

We are so grateful for the great partnerships that God has allowed us to develop in the last 20 years. Through friends and partners of our Mission we have now established our three pillars of Rescue, Education and Health. Our education pillar in particular, has grown from 12 pupils and one teacher to the fully-fledged Happy Life Christian school, and the Faith Premier High School. This pillar that started in a make-shift room in 2013, now provides holistic education based on Biblical values to almost 500 students in two locations and facilities. As the schools continue to provide education to so many needy children, the need for more classrooms,



furniture, books, stationery, uniforms, and computers is growing. We therefore continue to seek sponsorships for the students as well as funds to build more classrooms and equip the schools. We are ever so grateful for the continued support from NACCC. You are surely an integral part of our 20th anniversary celebrations, and we take opportunity to welcome you to Happy Life.

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