



# KIDS CORNER – By Jo Mock



Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. Matthew 26:41

When I was a little girl the yard where we lived in Texas had a lot of sticker patches in it. I hated to step in a sticker patch. So, I was always watching every place I would run to make sure I did not see any sticker patches. We also had a lot of fire ant hills. You can imagine I did not want to step there either!



One day I was not watching where I was stepping. I stepped on a large open safety pin, and it went all the way through my foot!

In life we also need to watch our steps by not allowing Satan to trick us into doing things that we know are wrong. Things like lying, stealing, cheating, disobeying, and many other things are wrong places to be "walking." Ask God to help you every day to walk according to His Word. Memorize Psalm 37:23, which reminds us of Who can help us to do this.

Write ONLY the red letters on the lines below to unscramble the truth about our steps.

Whaclykb    iztn    palnkd    tjafgkb    idts.    Aq    tbemsdtuilmroxngy

farhocmk    xotuwr    snheoqvsjs!

The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. Psalm 37:23

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Jona 6 yrs old    Susanna 6 months  
 Philippines    Myanmar

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## SPOTLIGHT – Ron Black

### Construction of Myanmar Dorm Has Begun

We are excited to announce that a new building is under construction in Myanmar. In early June, Brother Ben Bernard laid the foundation for a 20 by 30-foot, two-and-a-half-story building. This new building will not only provide a safe and spacious home for the growing number of children but will also enable us to care for more of the needy children in Myanmar. The cost of construction is budgeted at \$65,000. Praise the Lord for those who have already given toward this project.

Please pray for the funds needed to complete this building so that more children can come to know the Lord as their Saviour.

If you would like to contribute to the effort, please send your support to our office and designate it for the "Myanmar Building." You can also visit our donation page at [lighthouse.giving](http://lighthouse.giving) and select "Myanmar Building" from the drop-down list.

### PRAYER NEEDS

- **Unexpected surgery expense** – On June 17<sup>th</sup>, Terry Sanders had surgery to remove and replace the L3 disk in his back. The cost of the surgery, done in Costa Rica, was about \$19,000. If you would like to help with this need, please send your donation to the Lighthouse – PO BOX 730 – Kosciusko MS 39090 and place the words, "Terry Sanders Surgery" in the memo.
- **Dorm parents** – India (see page 3)
- **Work Safety & Provisions of Funds** – building project in Myanmar





## MYANMAR - Ben & Sarah Benard

April is a favorite month here for all kids. Not only is it summer break from school, but it is the time of the Thingan water festival. This Burmese traditional holiday lasts for a whole week and features water fights, swimming, games, special desserts, and fun for everyone. This year we dug our own pool and hosted a barbeque on the site where our new Home for the children is being built. We also had our dedication service for the new building during that week. Since the boys have been helping with the construction, it was exciting to them to have services in that place.



Our biggest blessing, however, is the addition of baby Susanna to the home. Her mother was abandoned by the father and left alone with no way to provide for herself. She heard about our Home from our township leader as she was reaching out for help for her child. The mother truly wanted better for her daughter and signed papers allowing our house parents to fully adopt this sweet little girl. Baby Susanna has quickly become attached to her new family and enjoys being the center of attention. 🙏



## INDIA - Matthew Henry

We now have 22 children, ranging from 3<sup>rd</sup> class to 10<sup>th</sup> class, with a total of 6 boys and 16 girls. (photos - 2 of our new children) We are expecting a few more children in the future. Sadly, we had to reject the boys we referenced in the last news, due to their bad behavior. We tried to correct them, but they did not want to be corrected.



We are again looking for new dorm parents. The previous ones, Mr. Nathan and family, wanted to be in ministry as Pastor, so they left. Mrs. Mary Gold is still helping the children in after-class tutoring with their homework.



My son Jonathan is getting involved with the children in the areas of physical and spiritual matters. He will be working with them in keeping the dorm in a neater condition than they have been accustomed to. He is also developing a regular devotion and Bible reading plan for each child.

We will continue engaging them in Sunday school, regular church services, and other church activities. Please pray for their spiritual, physical, and mental health. We say thank you for all your prayers, letters, and support toward this Home. God bless you all. 🙏

## Philippines – Chris & Victoria Hunter

Recently the church celebrated the birthday of our Senior Pastor. The kids were involved by writing notes and birthday greetings for him. They are quite grateful to have him as the one who God chose to care for their lives. Fellowship and joy were had at the celebration, and they will remember it fondly as they move forward in their lives. Especially the whole roasted pigs!!

In May, the academy held its School Year Graduation and Recognition Ceremony. The children were overjoyed to receive their certificates. Most of the children are Honor Roll students. Their hard effort and perseverance throughout the year was rewarded. They also went on an outing in celebration of their hard work and had a terrific time playing, strolling, and eating some excellent cuisine at the Kibawe Boardwalk.

We believe that the biggest untapped resource is people. May God use these children in ways we cannot imagine because of your generosity. We truly appreciate your financial support, love, and prayers for us. 🙏



## MEXICO – Jonathan & Laura Bryan

Over the past few months, we have noticed that all the children are really beginning to become a new family. That is not to say that there is always peace between all the children. But overall, they are becoming more loving and more of a family. They are excitedly looking forward to the beginning of summer break. They worked very hard during the past school year and are looking forward to having a few months free from schoolwork.

In addition to their physical growth, we are witnessing significant spiritual growth in many of the children. They are developing a deeper understanding of faith, participating eagerly in daily devotions, and showing a genuine desire to learn and grow in their relationship with God. Every two months, we memorize a new portion of Scripture. Most of the children can memorize these verses very quickly. What a blessing! We thank you for all your prayers and support on behalf of these children. 🙏



## MEXICO – Rafa & Yadira Ibarro –Dorm Parents

The boys are doing fine and continue to grow physically, mentally and spiritually. Currently they are really interested in playing soccer, especially Josué. Any free time is occupied with soccer!

Jonas has started attending a men's class in the church called - Men of the Word. This class teaches men the beginnings, or basics, of how to preach the Word. Jonas believes that God has called him to be a preacher. He recently had the opportunity to preach, which was an encouragement to him, and he did well.

Josué is really looking forward to his schoolwork. He has shown a lot of improvement in the past few months in his studies. His speech has also improved, and he is speaking much better.

Ismael is very interested in going a little deeper into the things we deal with in the devotionals. He is always asking questions and likes to memorize passages from the Bible. He then says them - as if he were preaching. I think he will be a good servant of God. We say goodbye for the moment, thanking God and you for the blessings received, and please pray for us all. 🙏

## COSTA RICA – Terry & Sally Sanders



In May we welcomed a group from Texas for a week. They were mostly teenagers, so they spent a lot of time with our teen's playing volleyball and basketball in the open-air gym. In the evening devotions, that their youth pastor shared with us, he challenged the teens to live for Christ using several unique and interesting approaches, such as games and illustrations.

On June 17<sup>th</sup> Terry had back surgery to replace a damaged L3 disk. A recent MRI showed this was what had caused him much pain for the past year. His recovery has gone well, and he is resuming his normal routine. (see page 1 for related needs)



Our church enjoyed a nice Father's Day celebration. The children's class gave each father a personalized coffee mug full of chocolates and treats. Afterward, the church enjoyed a meal and time of fellowship. 🙏