

# Lighthouse Children's Homes

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*"Rescuing Storm-Tossed Lives for Christ Since 1978"*

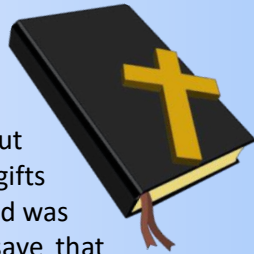
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## In The Spotlight

Each of our Homes celebrate the birth of Jesus with different traditions. Some celebrate with a special meal or activity. Though traditions differ, all the Homes have one in common - reading the account of Christ's birth. Before one meal is served or one gift is unwrapped, the Bible is opened, and the Biblical account of Christ birth is read. We share how the Lord was born a babe to save the world from their sins. They are reminded that this season is not about memorable meals, activities, or gifts wrapped in paper. It is about how God was wrapped in flesh to "seek and to save that which was lost." We share with them how the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Thank you for helping us to provide a safe place where they can hear the precious story of God's great gift to all mankind. My prayer for you is that like our children, you have unwrapped the greatest gift ever given - Jesus Christ.

**Ron Black**



## COSTA RICA

December is always the busiest month of the year for us. After spending the month of November learning and preparing for our annual Christmas drama, we have spent the month of December sharing it with nine different local churches. We know of at least two churches where people responded to the invitation to receive Christ after the drama. It thrills us to see people accept the message of salvation that we labored to proclaim.

Meanwhile, many people have participated in making Christmas extra special for the children. Some of the young adults who grew up in the home, along with a few friends, hosted a cookout in which every child received nice gifts. The following week, a small group from Bay Lake Baptist Church came with backpacks full of gifts for each child that matched their individual interests. They also treated the children to pizza and ice cream. Thank you, not only to these groups, but also to every sponsor and church who helped make this Christmas such a blessing.

**Terry & Sally Sanders**



## INDIA

In November, we took the children to a nearby park. They enjoyed the swings, playground equipment and the other different things to do at the park.

The children were quite busy in December as they participated in many Christmas programs in the church. Every night,



we also had Christmas house meetings in each church member's house. Our children sang special Christmas carols. We had a wonderful time of Christmas worship when the church conducted their meeting. They were excited to receive their new clothing. (See photo below) They received one set at Christmas and another on New Year's.



financial support for this Home.

It is almost time for their half-year exams in their respective classes. Pray with us as we encourage each student to study as they should. Thank you for all your prayers and

**Matthew Henry**

## PANAMA

The girls are out of school for the holidays and have been quite busy with different church activities. They have been involved in camp, Vacation Bible School, and many trips playing their musical instruments.

Our 2022 school year has ended, and all the girls finished with outstanding grades. Cecilia, one of the girls of the home, finished school this year occupying a position of honor. She was one of the top 3 students out of the 150 graduates. Cecilia has always been an excellent student during her school years ranking in honor positions each year. She will now begin attending the university where she will study medicine. Cecilia would appreciate your prayers as she strives to achieve this goal. Thank you for your support and prayers.



**Alex & Myrtha Taylor**

## PHILIPPINES

In November, the children had the privilege of being a part of the badminton training held in Power drive, Don Carlos, Bukidnon. There, they enjoyed learning basic steps and techniques in playing badminton. We also celebrated John Lloyd's and Angelica's birthdays in November.

The children were also blessed with gifts from some kind and caring people in the community. They wanted to give to the children because God had greatly blessed them. We were blessed for them having the heart to help these precious kids. (See photo - Continued next column)



We praise God for His provision upon the lives of these young men and ladies. Thank you so much for your fervent prayer for their lives.  
**Chris & Victoria Hunter**

## MEXICO

This year, both the boys' and the girls' homes decorated their house for Christmas. Of course, we also made cookies and hot chocolate. The kids look forward to the month of December more than any other. Some of our children had never celebrated Christmas before they came to be a part of the Lighthouse Children's Homes. Never, not one single time. It was extra special on Christmas morning when the children received not only things that they needed, but also things they wanted.



salvation.

We also exchanged names among the children, so they could learn what it feels like to sacrifice and buy something for someone else. Thank you so much for making it possible for us to share with them the true meaning of Christmas. Our Savior was born in a manger and sacrificed Himself for us giving us the free gift of  
**Jonathan & Laura Bryan**

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