

Lighthouse Children's Homes

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"Rescuing Storm-Tossed Lives for Christ Since 1978"

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COSTA RICA NEWS

The last few weeks have been VERY busy getting ready for a three month tour in the United States.



Seven of the children, along with Daniel, Bethany, (helper and music teacher), Sally and Terry will be touring/visiting 36 churches in 11 states. The children brought their instruments (violins and violas) and will be performing musical presentations in the churches; as well as singing and giving testimonies.

Please pray for travel safety. The children remaining in Costa Rica are being cared for by Patricia Neff, and the Sweet's - Matt and Lorna. Keep them in your prayers also.

Daniel, who came to the Home at age 9 and was saved at age 14, is helping with the boys and also seeking support for his ministry of full time evangelism in Central America. He will soon graduate from Calvary Baptist College in Costa Rica and has already been preaching in Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and Costa Rica. He has a passion for lost souls and a sincere desire to serve the Lord.



Thank you to all those who have a part in the ministry in Costa Rica. **Terry and Sally Sanders**

INDIA NEWS

We are happy to report that dorm parents Mr. & Mrs. Prasad are doing a good job working with the children. Mrs. Prasad is also a good Sunday School teacher and teaches one of the primary classes at the church. The children are active participants in their Sunday School classes and are currently learning new songs which will be sung in our upcoming Vacation Bible School.

The children are healthy and many are busy studying for final exams; while others are waiting to know their final exam scores. Kindly pray for those that have finished high school and will soon be going on to college.

Our children sang a special song on Easter which every one really enjoyed. Below, We have shared a photo of the occasion with you. Everyone, including our children, heard the message of Easter and enjoyed a nice meal for the special day.

May God Bless you.

Matthew Henry

Dear Friends,

It is with much sorrow that we inform you that our newest boy in Costa Rica, 10 year old Isaac Gutierrez went to be with the Lord on April 18.

Isaac was taken to the emergency room at 3:30 am, then admitted to ICU. He died that night about 10 pm from non-contagious meningitis. Precautions have been taken with the children and adults at the Home, and they are on medication. Isaac's biological family is handling the funeral arrangements and out of respect for their privacy, we are not posting a photo.

Isaac was only at the Home for about 7 weeks but was led to the Lord at church by one of our former "boys" – Jimmy. One friend said, "God knew when He was going to take that little young man out into eternity, and He also knew where to send him to help him prepare his soul for heaven." Please keep all of the Costa Rica Lighthouse children and staff in your prayers. This has been an extremely difficult and sorrowful time for everyone.

Larry & Paula Neff and the Lighthouse Family



MEXICO NEWS

The Lord continues to bless the children here in the Mexico Homes. Those blessing do not come without trials, but thankfully our trials lately have been the normal trials of raising children. Sometimes the trial is some child struggling with a certain subject in school – I'm sure we can all relate to that. While other days someone loses a tooth or some other similar thing.

However, in April we were blessed with the CHICKEN POX trial! First it made its rounds through the Boys Home inflicting Jonas, Josafat, and our youngest – Ismael. Then the pox made



their way to the Girls Home, making Fabis and Abby (pictured here) the next unfortunate receivers. They have taken it in stride and enjoyed a bit of spoiling. The third week of April all who were chicken pox free headed off to youth camp.

Thank you again for your faithful support and prayers on behalf of the children.

Jonathan and Laura Bryan

PANAMA NEWS

On April 20th, we celebrated the 11th birthday of Rosaira and Rosalinda. The twins came to us seven years ago and were very malnourished and sickly. Today they are healthy, and doing well in the 5th grade of school. Most of all they are growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Rosaira and Rosalinda are growing up to be beautiful young ladies and have been a blessing to us. Thank you for your prayers and support.



Alex and Myrtha Taylor

THAILAND NEWS

As an incentive to memorize John 14:1-6, I told the boys about "Dream World" - a very clean amusement park which has roller coasters, and rides that lift you high in the air then turn you over. They had ABSOLUTELY NO IDEA what I was talking about. They learned their verses on MY excitement about "Amusement Park", and they did have FUN. Elephants ice skating was impressive to say the least, and they enjoyed the giant splash slide and Snow Land with real snow.

It is fun opening the world to kids that would otherwise be skipping school, learning to smoke, drink and be involved in immoral activities at 7 years old. Instead they are fixing and modifying their bikes, learning how to use a wrench AND that tools need to be PUT AWAY, scratching an electrode along a piece of steel, working in the garden or playing in the mud. Learning a different way of life!

This month we are thankful for evidence of the Holy Spirit working in their lives. Through the Bible videos, Chick Tracts, and Bible stories conviction had begun in Glah's heart. He started to become a bit more subdued, asking questions, and more conscious of his actions, which later led to him accepting the Lord as Saviour. AMEN and AMEN.

Tim and Maureen Searles



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