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# SPOTLIGHT \*\*\*\* SPECIAL NEEDS

In 2022, God blessed us with eleven new children added to the Home in the Philippines. As a result, the budget for the Home increased by over \$5,000 a month. Praise the Lord - the deficit is now down to almost \$1,100 monthly because of increased support. Please pray with us as we seek additional support to not only meet this shortfall but that we may also be able to receive more children. We have already had to turn away seven children because of the lack of finances.

Also, we have some aging directors and dorm parents that will be stepping down in the upcoming years. Please pray as the Lord calls and leads those He desires to serve in these positions. Thank you for praying for our needs. **Ron Black** 

#### **MEXICO**

One of the greatest privileges of raising these boys and girls is the fact that we are nurturing them to love and serve the Lord. It is one thing to take care of their physical needs, but an even greater joy to teach them to honor God with their lives. We do this through devotions, regular church services, and one-on-one talks with them concerning spiritual matters. One of the things we try to teach the children is that true Christianity is not about receiving, but it is about giving to others.

We teach them the importance of using their own lives to share the message of the Lord Jesus Christ with others. Each week we go knock on doors and share the gospel. As you can see from the

photo, we encourage children as well as adults to participate. Many times, the children return with stories about



sharing the gospel. Thank you so much for making it possible for us to raise these children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. **Jonathan & Laura Bryan** 

"I am thankful to be here because I have shelter." Elijean – Philippines



## **PANAMA**

We, and the girls, thank you wholeheartedly for your support and love. We have been very blessed to have your prayers and donations as it has made possible the transformation of many lives. The girls have done very well in their high school, college, and Bible studies and have excellent qualifications for their areas of training.



This year Luz Carpintero (photo) will be graduating with an accounting degree. She has been an excellent student and will soon leave the Home to work a job. She appreciates all the support she has received from the Home for it has changed her life. Now she is trained to be independent and have a blessed life being faithful to the Lord.

As each of our girls graduate and are ready to be on their own, we feel that we have fulfilled our mission. As they depart it gives us space to receive a

new girl and begin again with another life that needs the truth of God. We pray that the former girls remain faithful to the Lord and remember - those who have been blessed are to in return - bless others. **Alex and Myrtha Taylor** 



#### COSTA RICA

There are two special days in September that are always celebrated



in Costa Rica,
Children's Day
and
Independence
Day. For
Children's Day
we had a special
service at
church which

included a cute skit, a meal, and a bag of candy for each child. On Independence Day we had our annual parade in our open-air gym with everyone dressed in typical Costa Rican costumes. We also celebrated at church wearing Costa Rican colors, singing the national anthem and praising the Lord for not only our national liberty, but our spiritual liberty in Christ as well.

Currently, we are hosting a young man from the Philippines who feels called by God to be a missionary to Costa Rica. Dean has graduated Bible College, is sent out by Asian Baptist Clearing House, and is here for a 3-month survey of the country. At 23 years of age, he is a great example and challenge to our young people. It is our prayer that God would call young people from our Home as well to spread the gospel. *Terry & Sally Sanders* 

### **INDIA**

The past three months we have had heavy rains. The government says 40% more rain than normal! Due to this heavy rainfall different kinds of fevers are prevalent in most places. Fortunately, none of our children have been infected and most are keeping good health.

The children are busy studying for their quarterly exams which are very important in India, along with the half year, and annual exams. Our school system is a bit different than in the United States. Our high school ends with 10<sup>th</sup> Class and then they go to Intermediate College for two years. After that they go to college for 3 years to get a bachelor's degree. (Continued next column)

Currently we have students from 3<sup>rd</sup> year class to first year intermediate college. The government has improved the infrastructure of the public schools with most classes now being

taught in English. Only a few classes are still taught in Telugu. The photo shows some of the children before going to school. Thank you for all your help and may God Bless you.



**Matthew Henry** 

#### **PHILIPPINES**

In September the children were invited to the café belonging to the Salvana Family to celebrate Mrs. Jane Salvana's birthday. The children, who are classmates with one of her children, were blessed to be included in this special time of celebration and had a great time.

The first semester of school ended Oct 29<sup>th</sup> and each of the children



has been doing well in their studies. They are all enjoying being back in the school room, face to face, learning and fellowshipping with their classmates. Despite it being cold and rainy they have remained healthy, for which we are most thankful. Thank

you for helping provide food, clothing, and safe shelter for these children. *Chris & Victoria Hunter* 

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