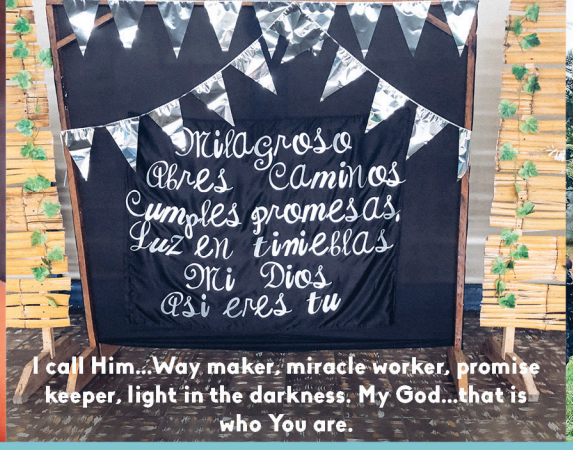
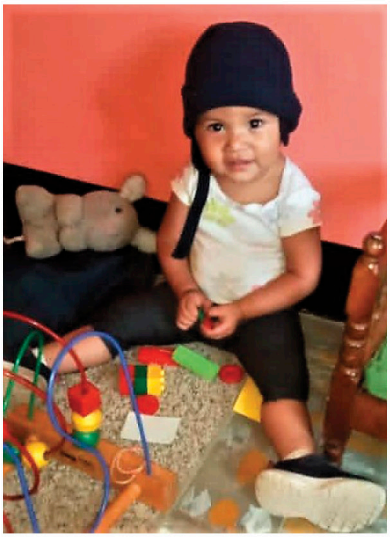


I call Him...Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness. My God...that is who You are.

SANDY BRITNELL | CHILDREN OF DESTINY

Our Vocational School Continues To Flourish!



The parents, grandparents and caregivers of our vocational program students are so excited and thankful for all we are doing for their children. Many of them have expressed to us that they dreamt of an opportunity like this when they were young.

As is the case in many poor communities, many of the adults who care for these children have never learned to read and write. Being an adult who cannot read or write makes simple tasks more complicated and embarrassing, not to mention difficult when their children need help with their homework.

At the end of last year, we hired a consultant for 4 months. Her efforts were extremely valuable as we launched this new season for our ministry. Her research into our community revealed some shocking information. We discovered that many young children are sent to work each day so they can help their single mothers buy food for the day. Among other sobering things, we also found there is a very high rate of single teen mothers and high infant mortality.

While we can't address every need in this neighborhood, we feel strongly to do what we can. After several meetings and times of prayer with our team, we have decided to dedicate Saturdays to help the undereducated adults in our area. Literacy and most of the subjects that are being taught to the younger children during the week are now offered to 70 adults along with a noon meal. The adult students are delighted and have great hopes and dreams for their futures. So far, the only problem we have encountered on this path is childcare. The mothers who are taking our classes do not have a safe place to leave their children. So, we now have a play room dedicated to these children and 4 ladies who will care for them during school hours on Saturdays! So far we have 18-20 children registered for Saturday child care.

Our daily goal is to present the love and saving power of our Heavenly Father to each of our students. Many have responded to the salvation message. Each student eagerly participates in our devotionals. God is leading us in a direction we never dreamed we would go! Thanks to His unending love and guidance, our open doors are a first step to helping those less fortunate who not only dream about a better future but actually have a chance to grasp it!

Computer Class

English Class

Cosmetology Class

My name is Karen López. I am 27 years old, my 9-year-old daughter is Britany López and my youngest daughter, Milena López is 2 years old.

Q: What do you think about studying classes in our center and being able to bring your daughters to our child care program?
A: I think it's a great opportunity because I'm able to attend my classes and also bring my daughters to a safe place.

Q: What does being able to come to our center mean for you?
A: It means a place full of opportunities, as I am preparing myself in a vocation that will be beneficial in my future. I am very happy with this great opportunity and also being able to bring my daughters to a safe place while I am in class.

Q: What benefits do you think this vocational course will bring in your future and that of your family?
A: I feel that this course is a great opportunity to learn a vocation. There are quality teachers and my vision is to start my own business in the future.

Q: What class are you taking?
A: I am taking the Pastry/Baking Classes.

My name is Jessica del Carmen Rizo. I attend English class. I have a five-year old daughter and I am currently six months pregnant. I have to bring my daughter when I come to class because I live alone and there is no one to take care of her. My little girl and I are very grateful for the child care because they are very attentive to the children.

Q: What do you think of the opportunity to attend classes and to also have safe and caring childcare?
A: I am very grateful for the classes because they are not offered elsewhere and I feel fortunate that the center also has child care...the support here is immense.

Q: What does this vocational center mean for you?
A: This vocational center is very special because it offers the opportunity to learn a trade that will help me be able to work and get ahead in life. I thank God for the opportunity to learn a trade that I enjoy!

Q: How do you think this course will benefit your future and the future of your family?
A: I think it will help us achieve our goals to live a better life. I have always wanted to become a teacher and I believe I will have the chance to do so.

- Sandy

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