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Annual Report 1974



GRATEFUL!



Accomplishments!

We have come a long way since we began our work for the children of Mexico. The year of 1974 has been a great one, and many of the projects we hoped to complete have been accomplished or are in progress. We wro in previous newsletters about these projects and asked you to stand by us, help us financially and become prayer partners. Now we want to share with you the success, and report on the accomplishments.

DENTAL PROGRAM. - It was reported that the children needed dental care. We assumed that this would become quite a financial burden. A dentist in the city of Mante, a neighboring city of El Limón, was contacted. He became interested immediately and he came to the orphanage the next morning and examined the children's teeth. As the children eat more fruit than candy they did not have too many cavities. The children were treated by the dentist. When the program was completed the bill was to be paid. The dentist said, "It has been a great pleasure treating these girls. There is no bill to pay. It is free."

We are thankful to the dentist for donating the work. Our "fear" and

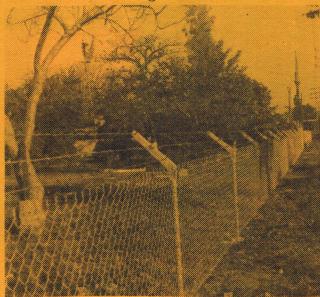
"anxiety" for the bill was unwarranted. Let's be positive.

OLDER BOY'S EDUCATION. - A while back we told the story about Ramón, an older boy, who had quit school. He has been working, off and on, to help earn money to assist his mother and the rest of his family. Ramón is a bright boy, and we wanted to help him get an education.

A teacher in the public school in El Limón who has taken many boys in

to her home to help them, was willing to take Ramon also.

The last report informs us that Ramon is doing very well in school. We are supporting Ramon and we like to help other boys in similar circumstances obtain a good education. We are pleased with Ramon's progress.



FENCE AROUND THE PROPERTY

In our Thanksgiving newsletter we solicited your help and interest so we could get up a fence all around the orphanage property.

It almost seemed impossible. However, again we were positive in our approach. As you can see from the photo to the left the fence is up.

We are very grateful as we see one dream after the other become realities.

Be Positive!

SIGN OVER THE GATE. - As you can see on the front page of this report a new sign has been put up over the entrance gate. Now all the people who are walking or driving by on the highway can see "CASA HOGAR MAMA PAULITA, A. C." This was also erected in 1974.

GR___ ACCOMPLISHMENT: - The three first girls (sisters) admitted to the

home are shown in the photo to the right. Arcelia (middle) is now a training teacher, Rufina (left) is our kindergarten teacher, and Dora (right) is finishing up her nurses training in June, 1975. Three wonderful young ladies. Do you think we are happy, thankful, and grateful? We certainly are. These girls are results of dedicated and interested people who wanted to do something for others. We have many girls who can get similar education. LET'S KEEP ON !!!



NEW CHILDREN ADMITTED TO THE HOME. - The two girls in the photo below

were admitted in August 1974. They are two lovely and intelligent girls who had no place to go. They are now happy and satisfied with the rest of the girls at the home.

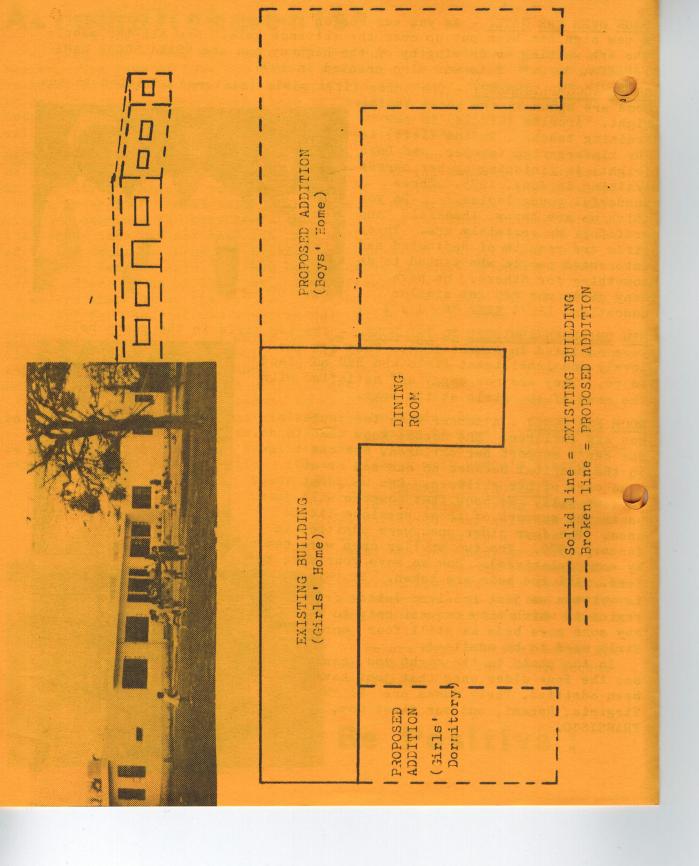
ROOM FOR MORE? - A mother with tuberculosis has six children. She doesnt know what to do. She can't support her children, she can't go to the hospital because no one can or will 'ke care of her children. Can we admit them? we will. We know that someone will join us in the support of these precious little ones. (The four older ones were admitted in January 1975. The two smaller ones were taken by some relatives). Now we have four more to

feed. All the beds are taken. As this is written we just received letter from Mexico in which they request help to buy some more beds as still four more girls need to be admitted.

In the photo to the right you can see the four older ones that just have been admitted. Their names are BELEN, Virginia, Nohami, and our first boy, FRANCISCO.







New Project



HUNDREDS, yes, THOUSANDS of boys need We have several times mentioned this in our newsletters. We have also felt a great urge to do something about it. It seemed impossible. However, we have had so many wonderful experiences, and seen so many dreams come through that we now have the courage to launch out and do something about this project.

Our director was in Mexico right after Christmas and the project - a home for smaller boys - was discussed. Our friends in Mexico have reached the same conclusion - they want to get started on the project.

Mrs. Ruiz' daughter, Mina, was appointed public relation person for the work in Mexico. She will be contacting groups, organizations, churches, as well as individuals and do'the promotion work there.

FRANCISCO

STANDING ON THE DOORSTEPS. - The boys are literally standing on the doorsteps begging to be admitted. BUT WHAT CAN WE DO? We are without facilities. We have taken in one boy, Francisco, when we admitted his sisters (see photo). We have another boy, Manuel, (photo right), living with his blind grandmother who with great difficulties takes care of him.

We want to have this building up in 1975. It is necessary to receive substantial donations to t this work done. We therefore appeal to each and everyone who CAN and WILL give. Do so right away. Maybe you could let us borrow - interest free - some of your means for a few years so this building can be erected. LET'S HEAR FROM YOU!!!



MANUEL



DIRECTORS. - A young couple came and offered their services as directors for the boys home. He is a teacher in Mexico City. In June they may arrive at the home in El Limón. We hope everything will work out for them.

(Accomplishments continued)

OUR FIRST U.S.A. REPRESENTATIVE AT CASA HOGAR. - 1974 saw our first representative from the U.S.A. go to the orphanage in El Limón to be on the staff, Linda Glennen. She is doing well with her Spanish and gradually getting into the new cultural situation.

She is assisting the matron, Cipriana Sanchez, and the two are becoming better acquainted as time goes on. She has learned to love the children at the home and the children are very fond of her. Linda is a wonderful influence in this home. Please remember her in your prayers.

In the photo below you see some of the girls from the home surround Linda. They seem to like each other.



In the photo above (left) you see a group of children coming out from Sunday School. Linda is at the top smiling. She seems to be one with them.

KINDERGARTEN EXPANDED. - In the kindergarten we have now 45 boys and girls registered. It was a great success in 1974. In the photo on the right you see the kindergarten teacher RUFINA VELAS-QUEZ with some of her students. These three girls are from our home Casa Hogar Mama Paulita.

THANKS

Financial Report 1974

| CONTRIBUTIONS COLLECTED | TOTAL | GEN.FUND | MEXICO |
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| In the U.S.A. "Scandinavia | \$ 5,257.26 9,200.00 | \$ 729.38 400.00 | \$ 4,527.88 8.800.00 |
| Balance pr. Jan.1,1974 | \$14,457.26 | \$ 1,129.38 94.22 | \$13,327.88 1,050.90 |
| Transferred to Spec. Account | \$15,602,38 | \$ 1,223.60 | \$14,378.78 5,300.00 |
| DISBURSEMENT | \$10,302.38 9,367,15 | \$ 1,223.60 1,069.19 | \$ 9,078.78 8,297.96 |
| Balance per Jan.1, 1975 | \$ 935.23 | \$ 154.41 | \$ 780.82 |
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| SPECIAL PROJECT AND BUILDING | FUND ACCOUNT | r - Marina Fed. I | oan and Savings |
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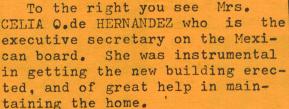
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THANK YOU!

We Present --



WE LIKE TO PRESENT TO YOU some of our co-workers in Mexico. In the photo on the left you see Mrs.
MATILDE O. de RUIZ, the founder of the orphanage in Mexico, now the treasurer of the Mexican Board.







The photo to the immediate left shows Mrs. Ruiz' daughter, GUILLERMINA (MINA for short) O. de RUIZ. She has now been appointed public relation person in Mexico to promote the work there. We wish her the best in her work, and we hope many people in Mexico will realize the significance of their own efforts.

In the photo to the left is Mr. Jansen, Layman ACTION's director conferring with the couple who may become the directors of the boy's home.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES AND GROUPS:

All the friends in Scandinavia who so faithfully have sent in donations. (Til alle dere venner i Skandinavia som så trofast har sent inn gaver).

Women's educational groups, Los Angeles - Churches
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Los Angeles - Churches
St. James United Methodist Church, New York
(faithful contributor for years)
Lynwood Baptist Church (Recently joined us)
Westchester Lutheran Church, Los Angeles
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