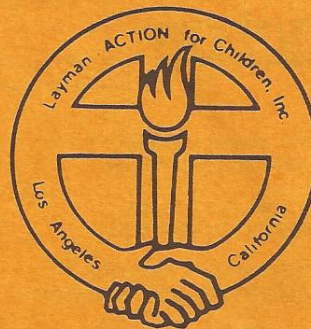


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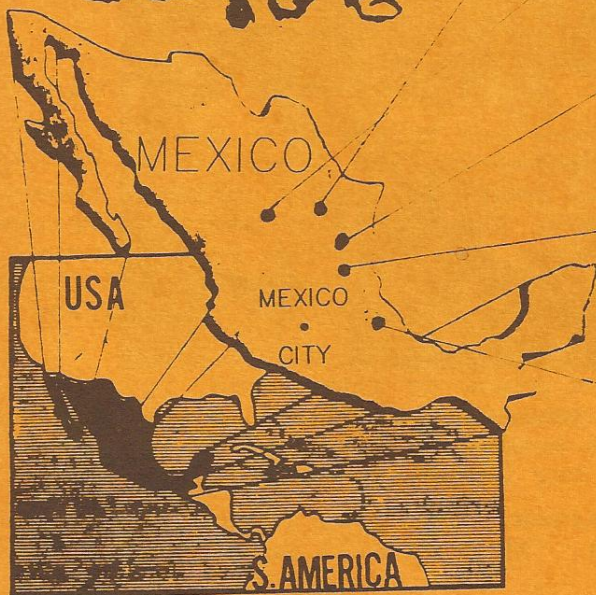
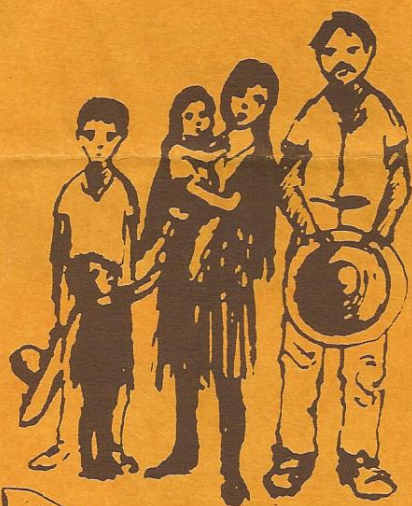


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REACHING OUT TO HELP GOD'S NEEDY

Dear Supporters:

Several people have suggested that we show the locations of our projects in Mexico. The map below will help you. In this issue we will also tell new readers about our reasons to provide help for the children of God in Mexico.



## MONTERREY

- CHILDREN'S GOSPEL OUTREACH
- TEENAGE STUDENT EDUCATION
- SEMINARY STUDENT SUPPORT

## TORREON

- YOUNG STUDENT SUPPORT

## EL LIMON — MANTE

- MAMA PAULITA CHILDREN'S HOME
- VOCATIONAL TRADE SCHOOL

## VALLES

- MEDICAL HELP IN REMOTE AREAS

## SERDAN

- LA FAMILIA CHILDREN'S HOME



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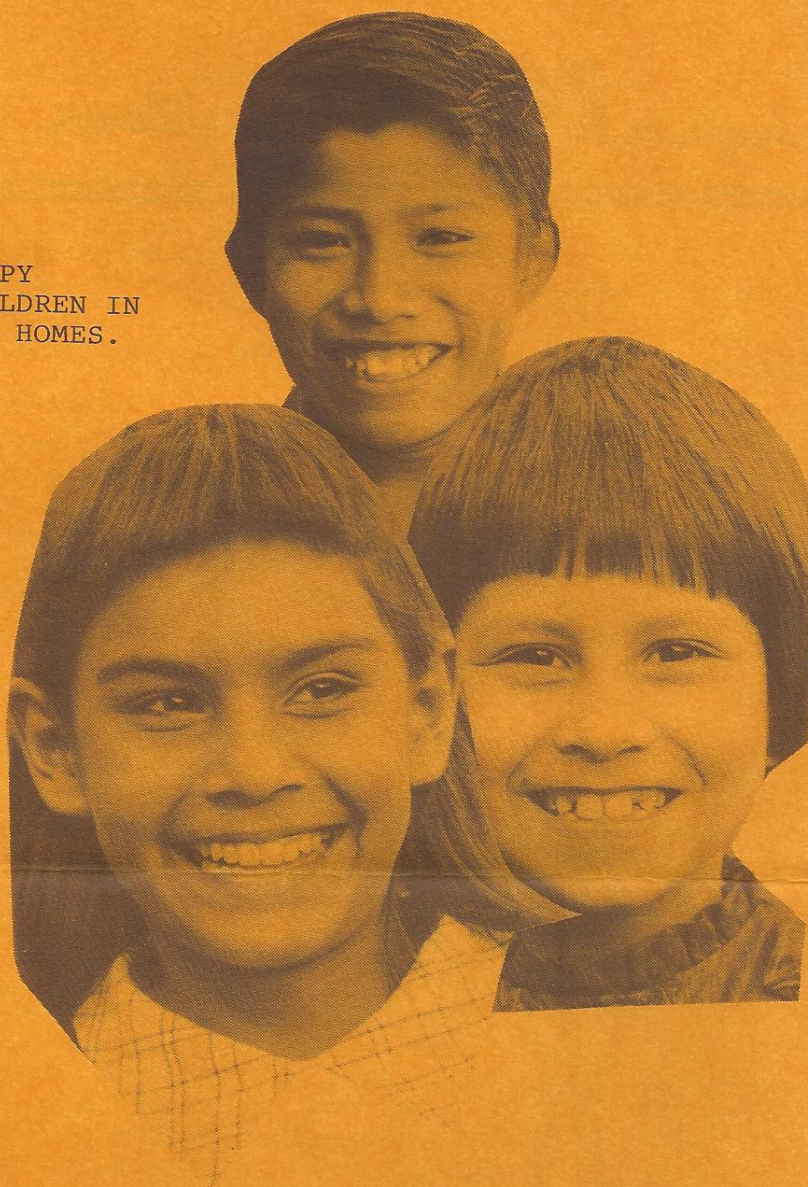
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As a non-profit, interdenominational organization, it is our goal to respond to the needs of the under privileged children of the world. It is our belief that these needs must be met at all levels in a child's life - we must relate to the total being: the physical, the mental, the spiritual. When put into ACTION, this means providing food, shelter, and clothing to meet the children's physical needs; providing educational opportunities to enrich and enhance the mental capacities of the children; and providing the opportunity for worship thus encouraging spiritual growth.

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HAPPY  
CHILDREN IN  
OUR HOMES.



MAMA PAULITA AND LA FAMILIA CHILDREN'S HOMES. In El Limon-Mante and Serdan. Several years ago, we found a need to help homeless children in Mexico. We found that the absence of family planning information and a break-down of traditional family responsibilities among the poor, left many children homeless. Today, with local unemployment over 50%, the situation has not improved. Often single mothers, with no jobs, bring one or more children to our Homes with the promise to return soon. Sometimes police will bring abandoned children when they can not locate family. - - The poor in Mexico are waiting for better times - -

The 80 children in our Homes will have a nice place to live, food, spiritual nurture and a chance to go to school. Government aid only covers some medical and public school expenses. Your support is needed to give the children a home, meals, clothing and the love given by our Christian Mexican staff.

Your donations help the Mexicans help themselves. Our goal is to make each Home become independent of foreign donations. Then we will move-on to help start a new home in another place.



The good reputation and example of these homes for making educated citizens out of unwanted children is our best gift for the future of Mexico. Perhaps we supporters in USA, Norway, and Sweden can't do everything, but with God's blessing we can do something.

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STUDENT HELP PROGRAMS in Monterrey, Torreon and El Limon.

We also discovered that many older children living with their families needed help. The family could not provide the little extra money required to learn a trade or get the skills needed for a good paying job. Family members could therefore never break out of their poverty conditions. With no money to buy required shoes, school uniforms, paper supplies and books, a child could be kept from attending the free of low cost public schools. Our contribution of \$13 per month for each student gives hope to 65 children.

Every graduation time we get many letters of thanks from students and their parents for the opportunity the foreign donors give them. With their education they will bring Mexico up to the living standards we enjoy in our countries.

The student help programs are run by Mexican Leaders. Spiritual and economic training are also given to these students and parents when our leaders meet with them on a monthly basis.

We also have a special student program for christian seminary students in Monterrey. Many of these students share our conviction that Mexico can only be changed through the power of God. The students we support use their free time to minister to the many children in the slums of the cities and the remote villages with no churches. We support 13 young men and women with \$25 per month. They are also selected from poor families.

An adult trade school was constructed with donated funds. Here we offer new job skills to community persons in El Limon-Mante. Cooking, sewing, welding and carpentry classes are taught in cooperation with Mexican authorities.

#### NEW SKILLS - NEW JOBS - A BETTER FUTURE



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MEDICAL SUPPORT in the Valles region.

Many people in Mexico live far away in the mountains. There are only roads for horses and sometimes 4 Wheel Drive vehicles. One American missionary, has such a vehicle and he travels often to minister to these people. Most are Indians and live so remote that they do not even speak or understand the language of Mexico. Sometimes Jim Coad finds children who need medical attention. It takes many hours to reach the hospital in Valles. When the child is admitted, the mother or father must also be there to care for the child as our nurses do. Your donations help the medical emergencies of these children and their families.

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CHILDREN'S GOSPEL OUTREACH in Monterrey.

Mexican volunteers go out to the new poor suburban areas. The population explosion and migration to the industrial cities for jobs, have forced people to live under terrible conditions. No churches of any kind exist in these areas. Children hear about Christ for the first time from teenage teachers trained by our well educated and dedicated Mexican leaders. Often parents come to the street meetings and then offer their home for house meetings.

Over 500 children are being reached. They will make a difference in a future Mexico. Your designated support goes for visual aids, Bibles and for Bible study correspondence material.

People in these slum areas are the forgotten people. Our Mexican leaders are dreaming of doing more to help their condition in the future. One leader is planning to give up a respected position in the well-to-do community and devote full time for the children and families in this area. Let us support her.

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LETTERS:

We received notices from the homes that the children did well in school. Their grade reports show it. One graduate, Beda Miranda writes she is getting married and thanks us for many years of support at Mama Paulita. Martha Flores, an Outreach leader, tells us about one slum meeting where more than 50 accepted Christ. David Aguilar writes that the special projects at La Familia are finished and that children are attending summer church camps. Rebecca Mitchell, our Torreon leader, is meeting with students in her home over the summer. Carlos Cervantes graduated from the seminary and will be assigned to a church in Vera Cruz State. He says he could not have afforded the seminary without our help. Many thanks. Jose Salinas thanks us because we encouraged him to fight for a technical career. He greets us with 1 Corintos 15:58.

The notes with your donations are appreciated and keep us going. This summer May and I met with our workers in Norway and Sweden. Praise the Lord for all the work they are doing for the unfortunate children!

Have a good Fall Season . . . . Tor Jansen

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