

Caring Action



For Children

In Mexico

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Our 42nd
year in
Mexico



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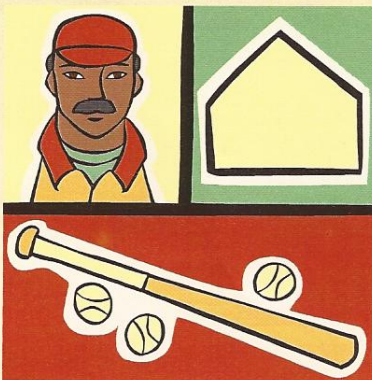
I really feel like the Coach of a Champion Team. A few days ago I received the report from 2007 which showed that we improved our winning record more than 17% in Year 2007. You, the donor players, gave more of your effort to help abandoned and neglected children in Mexico! Thanks!



"Team Caring Action" encouraged seven different Homes and one Outreach Project which touched more than 200 children and youth. We also started a new construction for a "Learning Center" intended to develop new opportunities for children to catch up with those that have caring and godly parents.

You, the donors, were inspired to serve "The Least of These" and you became players with Christ in His Heavenly Kingdom! Blessings to you all!

We are starting our 42nd year in Mexico with faith that the finances will be there to continue construction and support for a better future of those God has assigned to us. The houseparents in Mexico give their 24 hours a day service, so we must continue to encourage them in prayers and finances.



The Team Staff will be anxious to serve you, as volunteers, for another year! We wish you a Happy Year 2008, filled with good health and many new opportunities!

*Tor Jansen,
Coach of "Team Caring Action" for Children in Mexico.*



Shelter Home for Young Children in M



In the Fall of 2007, we started to build the "Learning Center." The foundation went to ground level. Then the steel structure went up as you can see it on this picture. You may ask, where did the money come from to start this big project?

All we can say is that God had something to do with it! A donor family gave \$10,000. Caring Action matched it and Mexican and American Volunteers added the rest.

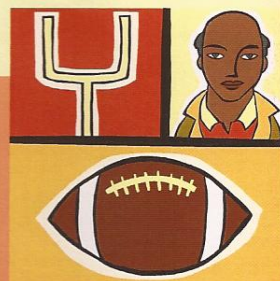
The work has now stopped but we pray for new money in February/March to re-start and get the center enclosed for Children's Summer activities.

The 45 young children were doing well when we visited in November. Our reports show that they now raise 78% of their own operating cost. That is great because when the Shelter was started 10 years ago, Caring Action provided 100% of the funds needed to maintain the Home.

Children come to this home mostly from mothers who can not care for them. Some are born here. The oldest are now teen-agers who still do not have any other place to live. The Housemother, a nurse, makes sure they have a godly home and a reasonable public school education. The Housemother is intended to make up for the lack of caring parents, who normally give children extra tutoring and activities that shape their future.

Mama Paulita Home for Children in Limon, near Mante, Tamps.

The 42 children greeted Tor and May with enthusiasm. Several new children had arrived and some had left to be with family. The dining hall and kitchen had been completely renewed with shiny wall and floor tiles. Tiles and the labor had been donated through the State Governor. The upgrading of kitchen facilities and new dining tables made the place look very new. Now, more renovation continues in the bath facilities of the girls and the young boys. Renewal is really needed as it has been more than 40 years since Caring Action helped build the Home. Perhaps up to 2000 children have lived there since then!



The children enjoy attending the lively church in Mante. They even have their own worship service on Wednesday nights with lots of music, prayers and lessons from the Bible. Each night before bed, the Houseparents, Ferdinando and Yadira, separately lead the boys and girls in meditation. One young US Volunteer, Tamar, was helping run the home for 6-8 months.

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When we visited on a Saturday, two Mexican Youth Groups were also there visiting. They brought gifts and their own entertainment for the children. The Home responded with a great outdoor fiesta with delicious Mexican snacks.



The picture shows the houseparents Juan and Silvia, with the youngest and the oldest children at the home. The average age of the 30 boys and girls is about 7 years.

The leaders of the home were talking about possibly moving the home next summer to a location where more local help can be found. The Mexicans in charge will decide what is best for the children.



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- To respond to the needs of children in Mexico by providing food, housing, clothing, an education, and spiritual guidance.
- To assist concerned Mexicans in taking full responsibility for property and operations of the Children's Homes.

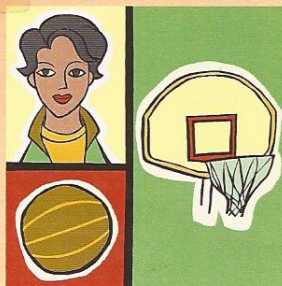
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Esperanza Home for Children in Bonfil, near Cancun, Q.R.

This Home is struggling with the 17 children living there. The houseparents, Ascencio and Esther, learned last fall that Esther has cancer. She is traveling once a month to the city of Merida, five hours away, for chemo treatments. The cook and laundry ladies put in extra hours while Esther recovers from treatments.



She is determined to care for the children as they are part of her healing process. Please keep Esther and the children in your prayers.