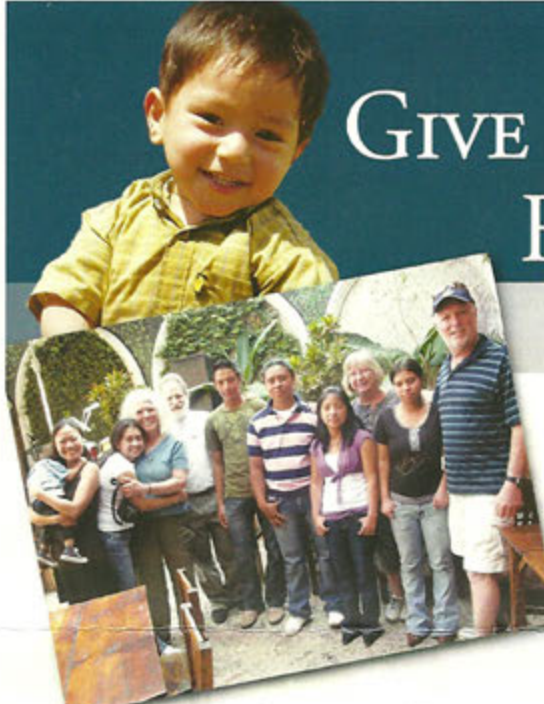


GIVE KIDS A CHANCE FOUNDATION

Spring 2010 *newsletter*



Graduates with our agent & psychologist

SPRING 2010 BRINGS MANY NEW ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR GIVE KIDS A CHANCE. THANKS TO YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS, WE ARE SENDING YOU OUR SPRING NEWSLETTER TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF OUR CURRENT ACTIVITIES.

Four volunteers, Gary Jepson, Donna Jepson, Bryan Levman and Rosi Levman travelled to Guatemala this past winter and spent a couple of months monitoring our projects there. We are happy to report that our students and projects are functioning very well.

Last year four of our students graduated, and are now either working or applying for university. This is a life altering experience for them as they never would have had the opportunity to attend college without the scholarship program of Give Kids A Chance. They are in a position now to help to change the economic situation of their families.

We have five new scholarship students in our program and through our agent's help they are all doing well in school, despite the hardships of their impoverished family life. All of the students are monitored bi-monthly by a psychologist who steps in from time to time to resolve serious issues in the students' lives. She also administers the financial aspects of the scholarship program and designs and carries out workshops to enhance their life skills.

Upon our arrival in Guatemala we quickly discovered that one of our best students had become severely ill during the Christmas break. His mother did not have funds to deal with the illness and took him to a government hospital where he received no help whatsoever. Give Kids stepped in and got him emergency medical help – in fact he would have died without the help. He has now recovered, is succeeding in his studies, and will graduate this year.

Give Kids A Chance is helping three impoverished families in Guatemala. In late 2009 we assisted one family by building a simple block house in a secure location. They are now able to concentrate on their education without living in a dangerous and violent location.



Buying school supplies



Housing conditions before

Housing condition after



Our family's new house

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Making a garden



Lunch program



Family



Lunch program



Eshay, future doctor

We are pleased to report that one of the children of our second family has been training with the Guatemalan gymnastics team. You can view his You Tube film on our website. His success has helped his family financially. All his siblings are now doing better in school as the family's financial situation has improved through the help given by Give Kids A Chance.

The third family that we help support are four orphans attempting to live on their own. The eldest is 18 years old and the youngest is 6. While we were in Guatemala we visited them many times, planted a garden with vegetables and purchased basic furniture for their temporary home. We found a dentist through our agent who took care of the children's dental needs at cost.

Give Kids is sponsoring lunch programs at two children's centres where more than 150 children in total are given a healthy lunch. This is a very important program as many of these children suffer from malnutrition. The lunches that we provide are essential for success in their studies.

We also assist a Maya women's group with their community centre by supplying a computer teacher and program for the use of the children. This access to a computer gives these students an added advantage in their studies.

In India we accepted two new students into the scholarship program. One of the scholarship students has now passed the exacting Indian entrance exams to college and is on his way to becoming a doctor.

We continue to work diligently in our effort to combat poverty through education. We thank you once again for your invaluable support.

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