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Do you remember the first pair of tennis shoes you ever owned? Eight year old José and his nine year old brother Fabian do! A sponsor sent an additional check to purchase whatever her child needed most. That gift of love stirred the hearts of a family living on the edge and spilled out to their surrounding neighbors. It resulted in more children enrolling in our school and attending the Kid's Bible Club that meets on Saturdays

When I went to pick up José to purchase his new things, he told me that he wanted to share his blessing with his brother. He could not imagine getting "store bought" anything while his brother got nothing, so we bought for both boys. Neither José nor Fabian owned a single pair of underwear, socks nor even shoes. They were thrilled to get colored tee-shirts, shorts, underwear, socks, blue jeans, a pair of Spiderman socks to match their Spiderman tee shirts and most of all, their white tennis shoes.

José and Fabian both insisted on getting their shoes bigger than they needed so that they could prolong their enjoyment of owning their first pair. Their father was thrilled to see his boys with new clothes. When he saw so many articles of clothing draped on their arms, shoulders and knees, his comment was that they "looked like decorated Christmas trees". The boys radiated joy as they attended our school wearing their store bought clothes. The 40 children attending our 2 day school cannot enroll in public school since they do not have their birth certificates. At the school they are learning to read, write, do arithmetic and English.

After our shopping spree, the boys told me they were really hungry, so I bought them something to eat. It did not take long before they announced they were full, but it looked as if they hadn't eaten anything at all. I realized



that these boy's stomachs are not accustomed to holding much food. So, we wrapped their full plates in plastic shopping bags and they took their meals home.

Thank you for your part in transforming lives. Thank you for touching a community with your gifts of support and sponsorship. We could not be here without your missionary support, and we could not create and maintain these programs without your sponsorship. We are nurturing children...Body, soul and spirit! Consider what these programs mean in the life of a child shackled in poverty. Sponsor a child and save a life.

Together we are rescuing children's lives,

Together we are Life Savers!

Lee & Carol

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