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Pastor Luis Miguel and Lee pose for the camera during the roof pouring.

Remigio could be called a troublemaker. He's definitely troubled; in all of his 12 year existence, he has never felt safe and secure. Remigio is the oldest of four brothers, each of his siblings have a different father. He has been raised in a completely transient life style as his mother searched for love in all the wrong places, shacking up with any man who appeared to provide a better opportunity. Their lives were in a constant state of upheaval with constant emotional and physical abuse as she went from man to man. All Remigio has ever known has been beatings and cursing. It would not take long before she and her children would be kicked out, abandoned and destitute, looking to move in with family or friends until she could latch onto "Mr. Right" once again.

Remigio's mother enrolled him in first grade, but he has never regularly attended classes due to his turbulent lifestyle. Because of his poor attendance, he dropped out of the first grade never to return. He never learned to read or write. He daily picks through the garbage alongside of his mother, picking through broken glass, sharp objects, and hazardous material. They spend their day looking for something to eat in the garbage, or rummaging through trash for objects they can sell. Remigio, his mother and brother share a small cardboard shack along with another single mother and her three children.

Remigio has never known a safe loving environment that nurtured and provided him with structure so that he could learn to read and write like other kids. Now, for the first time in his life he's learning these basic skills and is writing and memorizing his A, B, C's. The first week in February, a literacy program was started near where he lives. This program currently



Kid's club moved outside due to construction preparation for the roof pouring.

operates 2 days a week, helping approximately 20 children like Remigio to learn to read and write. Through your gifts to our general fund, we have also purchased the cement and provided a roof for the local church we are partnering with to facilitate these children's programs.

Together we are helping to provide a safe place, a refuge for Remigio and other needy children like him. Will you take a moment to sponsor a child? Simply fill out the registration form and with a check for \$25, and slip them into the enclosed envelope. We will send you a profile with a photo of your child.

Together We are Changing Children's Lives,

Together We Touch Our World!

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P.S.: Sponsor a child and change a life!



Pouring the roof for "Pan de Vida" at the Municipal Dump.

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