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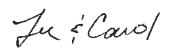


Imagine the life of a typical child in Cardboard Landia. You wake up as the sun shines through the cracks of the walls made of cardboard sheets and other scavenged materials such as political campaign posters, black plastic and wooden pallets. You climb over your siblings who share the same pee stained mattress with no sheets or bed covering. In many homes the mattress lies on the damp dirt floor. You're hungry but there is little to nothing to eat in the house for breakfast. You go outside and play in your bare feet in the muddy sewer filled streets until it's time to cleanup and go to school. You can't wait till Saturday to go to the Vida Children's Center, get a hot meal, soak in all the love and learn English, sing songs to Jesus & learn good things from the Bible. Can you imagine being born into their world?

Recently during their Bible lesson, the children were asked the question, "What is a leader?" Their answers were shocking! They said things such as leaders are terrorists, leaders have guns and bombs, leaders are the heads of the cartels. Their only concept of a leader was a powerful evil person. Their teacher Thelma Delgado replied, not all leaders are BAD! She said, "Pastor Lee is a leader and he is a good person". Their little dark eyes darted my way and pierced me. The idea of a 'GOOD LEADER' was a new concept being introduced into their world view. Imagine being born into their world.

These dear children and their mothers thrive on the love, attention, and instruction they receive at the Vida Center. They also display a healthy sense of pride and ownership. The children and moms set-up tables and chairs and the moms serve the food and drinks. Everyone pitches in and cleans up and puts everything away. They can't do enough in their volunteering and service. Their eyes sparkle and their smiles melt your hearts. Imagine getting to be a part of the best part of their week. I want to thank everyone who is helping to make this VIDA (Life) CENTER possible. Together we are changing children's lives. Together we are Building Brighter Tomorrows!

Together we are Vida Internacional, Together we Touch the World!







PRAISE and PRAY!

Our Haiti children's program needs \$1,500 to purchase tables and cooking utensil & a gas stove.

Please pray for the expansion of Vida Ministries as we are now starting church plants across Mexico and the Dominican Republic and also developing leadership courses in Peru.

Pray that we raise \$1,000 more a month or \$12,000 a year for feeding in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

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