

## Team Up For Honduras Schedules Fall Mission Trip:

October 10<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>, a group will be travelling to Santa Rosa de Copan to work at the Hogar de Ancianos, a home for the elderly, located up the street from the Hogar de Ninas orphanage. The project includes building and furnishing an outdoor kitchen for the residents and painting the large entry room to the elderly home. Along with the work projects, team members will also spend time building relationships with the residents. As always, time will also be reserved to regularly visit the orphanage and continue to build the relationships already established with the girls. Team members for this trip include, Keith & Flo Ramer, John & Laurel Leedy, Gordon & Donna Immel, Aden & Esta Miller, John & Nancy Tyrrell, Jeff & Amy Baumann, and Joyce Shelton. If anyone would like to donate to this mission project, please make payment to: **Interlink Ministries** and note that it is for **Team Up For Honduras**. All contributions are tax deductible.



## 2013 Projects:



The primary focus of our ministry projects continues to be the support of the young ladies from the Hogar de Ninas who have graduated from high school. Because of your generous support we have been able to accomplish several other projects. Joe continues to be our eyes and ears for other projects at the orphanage and in the community. In May the outside wall of the orphanage received a major overhaul with the work being done by hired workers from the community. In July Joe hired a local worker to travel to Denia Ayala Ayala's small home which we helped build last year. They completed a Bano (bathroom) and outdoor shower. In April we took on support of Roger & Nancy, a couple with a two year old. Roger was tragically injured in an accident when he was hit by a drunk driver. The driver was not held responsible because he paid off the authorities leaving Roger & Nancy with the mounting medical bills. Roger suffered brain damage and they have moved in with Nancy's parents. We are paying for the on-going physical therapy. Along with the fall project at the elderly home, we also continue to pay for small maintenance and repair projects at the Hogar. All of this is possible through your generosity.



## Visiting Yeny in Wisconsin

Labor Day weekend, Ramers and Leedys traveled to Wisconsin to visit Yeny Bueso, one of our Team Up girls from Honduras. She won a scholarship to study for two years at North Central Technical College in Wausau, Wisconsin. She is in her second year and will return to Honduras in June 2014, after the spring semester. There are currently thirty some students in the program in Wausau as well as others in Miami, Florida. The first year she lived with a host family and this year is in an apartment with six girls. During their two years of study, mostly business, accounting, and English classes, each student is required to "give back" with a minimum of 250 hours of community service. Yeny has over two hundred hours she has given to local churches and community activities.



The purpose of the program is to give opportunity to young adults who portray strong leadership traits from struggling countries to receive an education, and then to return to their home countries. With English as a second language, business and accounting skills, they are able to implement some of what they've learned in their home communities and gradually improve their home cities. Each student is to develop a Community Action Plan (CAP) that they are passionate about to implement in their own community. Yeny shared her concern and passion for the girls at the Hogar de Ninas. In her CAP she hopes to help prepare them for life beyond the orphanage. She admitted she is a bit overwhelmed with writing her CAP and how to implement it once she returns. We assured her that "Team Up" will walk with her, encourage, assist and support her as she tries to implement new steps for the girls.



We were privileged to meet her roommate, Iris, from El Salvador, and the girls cooked supper for us Saturday night. We were also able to go to church with her on Sunday. The weekend was a wonderful time of reconnection with Yeny. It is great to see her doing so well in school as well as maturing and growing in other areas of her life.

As we prepare for the new graduates leaving the Hogar in January, some of you have asked about needs or items that you might be able to give toward. Below are some items needed:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount per unit</u>
Twin beds-2 needed	\$180
Refrigerator	\$390
Bedroom chests-7 needed	\$102
Blender	\$44
Couch	\$225
Comforter sets-3 needed	\$40
Set of dishes	\$40

In November, Osiris Yojana Payes Lopez and Ana Yamely Sarmiento Perdoma will be graduating from high school. They will move into our housing in January along with Lillian Esperanza Lopez, who graduated last year, but stayed at the orphanage an extra year. Laurel Leedy, Dan McDaniel, Scott & Trish, and Kiersten Zacharias will be attending their graduation in support of them.



Lillian Esperanza López



Ana Yamely Sarmiento Perdomo



Osiris Yajana Payes López



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**Fundraisers for 2014:**

- **Spring 2014** (late March—early April) our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Folk Concert
- **June 10, 2014** our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Motorcycle Run

Although it is early, we hope you mark your calendars and include these events.



**SPECIAL THANKS:**

**Team Up For Honduras**, John & Laurel, Keith & Flo, and Joe, would like to thank all of our friends and family for your generous support, valuable time, on-going prayer, and encouragement. We continue to support the orphans, the graduates from the orphanage, the elderly, and other needs in the Santa Rosa de Copan area of Honduras. Because we receive no support from a church, it would be impossible for us to continue to do this work without your help. Team Up For Honduras is dependent on your generosity through donations and fundraisers. All donations go directly to our ministry projects. No monies are used for personal expenses such as travel, lodging, or meals.

<sup>37</sup>“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?’ <sup>38</sup>When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?’ <sup>39</sup>When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’<sup>40</sup>“The King will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.’

Matthew 25:37-40



John & Laurel Leedy, Joe Self, Keith & Flo Ramer

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