

'Stay Home' in Hondy The corona virus pandemic has certainly been an event for the history books! For our family it has been a bit like hitting the 'refresh' button. The hardest part has been closing our 'Family Assist' and 'Mercy & Grace' ministries.

Quarantine has meant that our family of 28 kids (Veksy and Jeffry are still in Tegucigalpa, largely because travel is almost impossible) have not left our property in months as schools and church are closed. This has given us time to get healthy, spend more time reading and playing together, and studying God's Word. We have had many big celebrations, birthdays, Easter, and more. Best of all, we celebrated Dorla, age 13, giving her life to the Lord!

We have been so blessed by our volunteer nannies! They have gone above and beyond the call of duty! Two have stayed in quarantine with us! In general, we are only minimal staff. This has been quite challenging at times!

Perhaps the greatest challenge has been trying to home school my crew. We have been very grateful for technology during this time. We are also grateful for the staff and teachers of our local schools who have made learning from home possible.

I have been so happy to have extra time to organize and clean. The blessing of our new appliances and my birthday gift of living room furniture has made our home more cozy. We have been so blessed to be able to deliver some food bags and give away some extra food and supplies to some of our program families and neighbors.

All of that is done under all bio-safety precautions. Workers who leave the campus daily shower when entering, wear masks and wash hands often. We have a hand washing station set up at the gate. People step into a pan of bleach to clean their shoes soles as they enter. Any cars or motorcycles entering have their tires sprayed with bleach and water upon entry. Kolby and I shower directly when coming from town.



Remembering Mama Tara



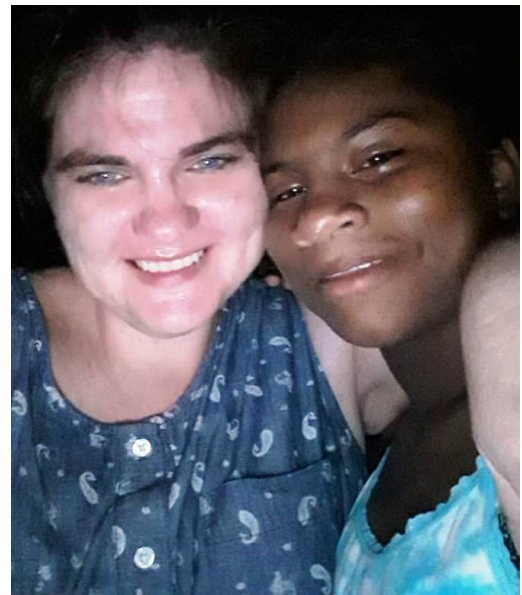
On March 5th we celebrated the life of our Beloved Mama Tara. What an amazing impact and legacy she has left here for us, not only in Puerto Lempira, but in hearts throughout this world. To know her was to feel the love of Jesus and a true servant's heart. It's the 7th year of her passing, and this beloved woman of God is still very much missed!



We also have improved our health procedures at home. We have been enjoying our water bottles given by Jennifer and Greg May at Christmas. Kids now only drink from their own bottles. We have also given all kids and employees their own dishes.

All in all, God has shown Himself great in the midst of the storm. All our love and prayers for you and your families! We love and miss you!

by Linda Collins



Dorla receives Jesus as her Savior!!!



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" Feeling So Blessed!"



Happy Birthday, Mama Linda! Enough birthday money was collected from loving friends, which enabled one little dream in Linda's creative mind to actually become a reality. Just look how this new furniture transforms the place where the family gathers! To add to the blessing, I understand that new cushions for the benches and rocker have been purchased by a kind friend, and are already on their way! "Thank you" to all those who made this happen for Linda's birthday!



Our Heavenly Father Knows our Needs

(Matt. 6:8 ".....for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.")

Linda had mentioned a few times in passing that her old stove and refrigerator had some issues, and she wasn't sure how long they would last, but both were still functioning to some degree. It was only a matter of time before they gave out, but there were always something more urgent that took priority. Linda never brought the need for new appliances to the Board, but out of nowhere, someone reached out to Linda and asked how she could be of help to the ministry. After a few interactions by FB Messenger and email, this young woman and her mother, who wish to remain anonymous, sent Linda money to purchase, not only a new refrigerator and stove, but also a small freezer. Just one of these new appliances would have been a tremendous blessing, but to be gifted with 3 beautiful new appliances at one time is mind blowing! We are beyond ecstatic for the way the Lord continually shows His faithfulness and how He many times answers our prayers through the kindness of friends, before we actually ask Him for something. Life at Mama Tara's is getting better! ♥♥♥♥

Thoughts from the President



May 2020 marked a year since I stepped into the role of president of Mama Tara Miskito Orphanage Board of Directors, and I can honestly say that it has been an incredible one. I was blessed to be able to travel to the orphanage twice since then, strengthening bonds with the children and staff as God has constantly been teaching me about His love and mercy for all of His precious children in Puerto Lempira.



Although this is a new role for me, I have been involved with MT as a sponsor since 2003, and a member of the amazing Board of Directors since 2012. I know that I am just a small part of a divine team made up of board members, sponsors, volunteers, and others contributors, and I am so honored to be used by the Lord to serve this ministry in any way that He directs to ensure that Mama Linda, the staff, and the children have everything they need to live the abundant life which God has perfectly planned for them. by Sandra Croft

We're celebrating 15 years of loyal service to the Mama Tara Miskito Orphanage by Ebety Pasta Valle. She is a model employee who carries the titles of Head Tutor and Administrator! In the early years she worked closely with Mama Tara, whom she loved dearly and learned much from her example. Ebety now works side by side with Mama Linda and has proven herself to be invaluable, with a heart of love for the children!



Sponsors Needed

We have expanded our sponsorship program to include the following:

- Food Sponsors
- Transportation Sponsors
- Medical Sponsors
- Feeding Program Sponsors
- Maintenance Sponsors
- Education Sponsors

If you are interested in being a sponsor, please contact Cathy Cantelli (cjcantelli@hotmail.com)



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