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# Merry Christmas From Honduras

Here I am in Honduras writing my newsletter this year, we made a quick decision to head out early to Honduras after Jeffrey had finished chemo so we could enjoy sometime while he was feeling well enough to travel. What a blessing to be able to come here and spend time with our Honduran family that we treasure so much. As we arrived here i could not help but think of this verse in "Colossians 3;23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the the Lord, not for Men." When we got here the yard and houses were so clean it was unbelievable, not a thing out of place. You could have eaten off the floors they were so clean and shiny. When i extended my many thanks for having it so clean they simply replied "it is our pleasure". This is what working for the Lord looks like i thought to myself. We are certainly blessed with a team of awesome Honduran workers that we call family here in Honduras.

### SOME OF THE FOLKS THAT MAKE THIS ALL WORK.





#### **Pastor Mariano and Teresa**

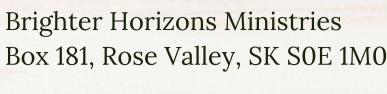




#### Gelmo the Yard Man



Thankyou to all for your faithful support for so many years.



## **CHRISTMAS FOOD HAMPERS**

That time again for food hampers, this year we are going to be delivering early so get in on the action soon \$50.00 towards a food hamper for a needy family.

We accept etransfers at bhm99smj@hotmail.com

2024 School year was an interesting year, lots of changes in our municipal government which meant a whole lot of paper work and extra money they thought they should have! Thankful we continue to have Pastor Mariano to fight on our behalf so we only had to pay a portion of the tax they were asking for, because we are a charitable organization. Praise God. The government also put in place a few more things that all schools need to do. One of them that we were really happy with was a designated area for a Library. I think they finally realize how poor the reading levels are in Honduras so now they would like to put emphasis on literacy. We already have a designated room and i hope to find some more new library books for the children to enjoy and use for learning, as well as some new shelving for the books. The school year is winding up and we will get to enjoy Graduation again. How fortunate we are to take part in this again. Always thankful for the effort the teachers put in to make this a very special day for Kindergarten and Grade 6 students.

Our 5 feeding centres continue to be a bright spot for us to visit and take part in helping out to feed the many children, once again we will likely do a few upgrades a little paint and some new plates and cups for the kids. We will also be spending some time checking on the families we help out monthly, great to have the time to do a little visiting and check in to see how things are going with them. One visit we had already was with one of our widow ladies raising 5 children, Jeffrey asked her when you cook eggs how many do you plan for each person, she replied only half an egg per person that's all i can afford. Its a tough go down here for lots of families. Our plan is to work on handing out some Christmas Hampers early before we head back to Canada the middle of December so pray for us as we travel around and work for the Lord.

Special thanks to all of you who continue to support BHM, many thanks for your prayers, support and financial donations to make all these wonderful projects work.

Another year has flown by, it has had many highs and many lows. We stand in Faith that we are still here working in Honduras for a reason, thankful for each and every day that he allows us to be here. Jeffreys health continues to be a problem but we have learned to do what we can, when we can. We are thrilled that Shynese is back in Archerwill working at the local municipal office and taking university courses online which keeps her very busy. She is a huge help on the farm as we are still seeding a few acres.

Blessings to all in the year ahead. The Carlson's

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