



YWAM MEDELLIN

December 2007

Dear Friend, Merry Christmas!



We are at the end of 2007. The children are finishing their school year and waiting to go home for the holidays. We are very grateful for what God has done this year in each one of us. His faithfulness was and is tremendous.

Sincerely,

Enith Diaz

Health Brigades

This year we held three Health Brigades in: Callejas, Tierradentro & La Dorada, Colombia, places where the violence has touched many rural residents and left refugees, orphans and widows.

The Health Brigades arrive with 20 areas of concentration that touch various needs such as: Medicine, Dentistry, Psychology, Counselling, Used Clothing, Barbers, Beauty, Delousing, Carpentry, Gardening (fruit, vegetables), Veterinary Medicine, Nutrition for Children, Adult Programs, Communication, Evangelism, Theatre, Christian Education, Spiritual Development & The Covenant for Peace. In the last few years we have touched some ten thousand people and 30% of those have given their lives to the Lord.



the work by donating used clothing, thank you. To all, we wish you a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

We want to thank all of our supporters and the people who have participated in the Health Brigades. Thanks also to those that have visited and encouraged us. To the churches in Medellin that have been part of

Ebenezer Girl's Home

At the end of this year 2007 our hearts and minds are full of gratitude to God because His mercy was great and new every day. The difficulties and needs lost all of their strength because God has been faithful.

All of the girls that started this year with us finished it in good health, content with the goals reached and they have grown in every area of their lives.



Betty & Angie graduated from High School Dec. 6th. We are very satisfied. Several girls proved themselves to be among the best students, good friends and classmates.

Among the various activities to finish the year, we have a graduation party, Sweet "15" birthday parties, a Christmas party and recognition of abilities and potential; this with a closing ceremony that is very important to all. Thank you for your prayerful and financial support. We wish you a great Christmas and a wonderful 2008.

Bethel Boy's Home

"God is more than sufficient!" is the phrase with which we can define the end of 2007.

We are finishing the year with 20 boys who have done well in their studies, in socialization and in Christian principals – in a desert where finding a spring of water is more than sufficient. The level of development of each child this year is reflected in their hearts. God, in His infinite love, has healed some of the deepest wounds in their hearts, creating a well of strength with the recognition that their Heavenly Father is always with them in every moment of their lives.



For this reason we thank God for His help and the merciful heart of each one of you that has prayed for our children and thus made possible this dream to form future generations built up in the knowledge of Christ as their Savoir.

Covenant for Peace in Montelibano & Medellín

We feel very grateful to God because we were able to arrange ***two Covenants for Peace***, in Montelibano and in Medellín. We want to be sowers of peace in Colombia.

In these two places we held a Peace Walk with banners, signs and dressed in white shirts. For the Covenant we looked for victims of the violence so that they could publicly forgive their aggressors.

Forgiveness is the foundation of peace and breaks the cycle of violence. For this reason we want to help the victims forgive those who hurt them. In the ***Covenant for Peace*** different people made a pact with God and society to not look for revenge and not use violence against their neighbour. As a sign of the covenant they ate a grape and a piece of bread.



In Montelibano ***one man especially touched our hearts.*** He was very rich, owned a farm with many cows and crops and an armed group turned him into a refugee. In another location he cultivated fruits and the same group ***placed an antipersonnel mine that left him almost completely blind.*** Since then he has had to live with his family in a cardboard

house. If that wasn't enough, someone offered his 15 year old daughter a job to sustain the family, but she never returned home after the first day.

She may have been kidnapped and taken to the mountains to be killed or to be forced into being part of their subversive group. ***Jorge Dario Flores Marin was willing to forgive those who performed these barbaric acts.*** Jorge needs ***an operation to improve his vision*** so that he can support his family, but he does not have the money. For this reason ***we are looking for people that would like to bless this man so that he can have the needed surgery*** on his eyes. If you would like to help with this need please contact us.

“Bread for Life” with Rosita Zapata

It is good to thank God for the privilege of working with the children, youth and adults that live in the street or in the hotel, “The Travellers Rest” (a place where families are crammed in with many children). We have been able to share many special moments with all of them, listening and learning about their needs, difficulties and dreams. Through this we have been able to share Gods love with them and instil in them new hope and dreams.



Our challenge for the new year is to open a home where we have the opportunity to rescue many children that live in the street. We already have several children waiting for this opportunity. We are looking for people that would like to support us monthly to be able to open this home.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a New Year full of God's Blessings.

Thank you for your Support

Christmas Gifts for the Children

Dear Friends,

Each year various people contact us in order to send ***a gift to one or more of our children.*** Truly, is it because of this generosity that we have been able to provide the happiness that so many children hope for at Christmas, something that would be impossible for us without their help.

To our donors we would like to request that, more than toys, please consider helping with clothes, shoes and school supplies for the children. This will help us tremendously in January when they start school.

Thank you for loving us and our children.

Enith

Prayer Requests

Committed Staff

Finances so that Enith and the volunteer staff can go on vacation.

A new house for the staff (We have to move from the current house in January).

Provision for the Health Brigades (Each outreach costs approx. \$6,000.00 US).

Provision for the ministry

A freezer for the girl's home and a car for the ministry.

For Donations - Please make your cheque out to “YWAM” and mail it to:

In the USA - YWAM – Accounting
P.O. Box 3000
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Due to government regulations ***our name cannot appear anywhere on the cheque.*** Just enclose a separate note specifying that the gift is for YWAM, Medellín. *** If you are sending support for a staff member or special project, you need to contact us directly with the designation, if possible by e-mail (jucmed@hotmail.com). ***

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