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"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God."

2 Cor. 5:20



As we prepare this newsletter, we are also preparing for our end-of-the-year Christmas parties for the various Bible Studies and Boy's Club. It is a busy, but joyful time of the year for us. As we bring the year to a close, we also reflect on what God has done through this ministry in 2017.

2017 has brought us many memorable experiences, all for which we give God the glory.

Thanks to our supporters (individuals and churches alike), amongst other things, this year we were able to:

Help one of the Bible Study leaders have two much-needed eye surgeries.

* Provide medications and medical supplies to various people in need.

* Make a root canal possible for one of the señoritas in dire pain.

* Aid several ladies who underwent surgery this year.

Celebrate various events throughout the year.

* Sponsor education for a number of children.

- * Assist in burying a 29 year old man.
- * Host 3 weekly Bible Studies.
- * Start a new Boy's Club.
- Visit the sick.



We are in need of raising \$1,000 of monthly support in order to keep up with the cost of living. If you are currently a donor and feel you can increase your giving (no matter the amount), that will help greatly. If you have not yet joined our ministry team and would like to join us, see how to do so on page 2. Please pass our newsletters on to your friends or at your church.



Taxes! Each year many folks are looking to give end-of-the-year gifts as a possible way to help reduce their tax liability. If that is you, here are some things to keep in mind. Contributions mailed to CTEN must be postmarked no later than December 31st. Online credit card donations must be posted through the CTEN website by December 31st. CTEN is also able to receive contributions of stocks, bonds and mutual funds, which are then sold and the proceeds provided to the missionaries. Remember that any year-end gifts of stocks, bonds or mutual funds must be received in CTEN's brokerage account by December 31st. Call 800-872-5404 for more information.



The new Boy's Club is still in the formation stage. They meet bi-monthly and are under the leadership of hermano (bother) Nery. Art is mentoring Nerv and Nerv is mentoring the boys. The last couple of months, Nery has been teaching them about the importance of the character qualities of ATTENTIVENESS and OBEDIENCE along with a Bible meditation. He jumps right in to play soccer, croquet, volleyball or board games with them following the message. Founded in 1998, the original Boy's

Club was active for six earlier years of our 21 year ministry. They did community service, learned about character, studied the Bible, played soccer and we took them on various fun outings. We are still in contact with many of those "boys". Most of them

are married with their own children now. If you are interested in helping to



raise up "mighty men of valor" (Judges 6:12), please indicate your donation is for the Boy's Club.

thank each and every person who has partnered with us in this ministry. We are grateful for your financial support, prayers and/or words of encouragement. If you have not yet partnered with us financially and are interested in doing so, there is still need for our monthly living expenses, special needs within the ministry and our new expansion project. There is no greater feeling to us than when we have been able to meet someone else's needs either spiritually, emotionally or physically. We pray it is the same for you. We appreciate those who give and understand not everyone is called to do so. God is ultimately our provider, using His people to accomplish His purposes.



"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. "

Hebrews 10:25-26



Merry Christmas and HAPPY NEW YEAR!





"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. "

Isaiah 9:6

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Checks should have our names written on the memo line.