

Dear Friend,

Thank you very much for your prayers. We survived another short term youth ministry team trip to Guatemala. In five days, eight young people from a Holland, Michigan church along with two mothers and a father were able to do a planned program in seven different churches and in six different schools. The entertaining program included singing, testimonies, a skit from Max Lucado's children's book about Webster, a scary spider, and a lot of interaction with Guatemalan kids.



Guatemalan OC missionaries, Jaime Lopez, Betty Merida, and Luis Gilbert, along with a short-term missionary from Germany, Natalie Janus, joined this team. The programs were concluded, even in the public schools, with an invitation to make a decision of faith. It was always fascinating to watch the kids suddenly become quiet and very attentive, even in a school of over 400 boys, when the skit was presented.



Even though the plane carrying the team arrived too late in Houston, from Chicago, to catch the plane that was leaving for Guatemala (causing the team to arrive almost 24 hours later than planned in Guatemala) the team was still able to go to almost every place that was scheduled in their itinerary to be visited. As we were connecting with the team in Houston, we were able to catch the connecting flight, which allowed us to have a day with OC field missionaries in Guatemala.

We spent several encouraging hours in Antigua with a recently deployed couple. We were blessed by being able to spend the rest of the day with the OC Guatemala field team leader and his wife.



Enjoy a few of the scenes of our time in April in Guatemala. You were a part of this time through your prayers. Thank you again for being a partner with us through your support. God bless you.

Sincerely, *Gary & Nancy*

