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# QUE PASA

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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## EL SALVADOR CONTAINER

*We need your help to fill it!*

**W**e still need donations for our container that will be shipped to our project in El Salvador. Without your help, this container won't be able to go. The container is due to ship out at the end of September '07 to our children's village, Hogar Esquela Adventista in El Salvador.

You can download the list of needed items at our website [www.forhiskids.org](http://www.forhiskids.org).

If you'd like to contact us about the container project please call Liana or Jessica at 800.422.7729.

Send your emails to [container@forhiskids.org](mailto:container@forhiskids.org).

Here are a few things to remember when inquiring of Liana and Jessica. 1) Ask what specific items are still needed. 2) Ask if you should ship your donation to ICC or bring it directly to ICC HQ. 3) Let us know for which specific items you'd like to become responsible.

One thing to keep in mind is that our operational budgets for all of ICC's other projects still

need to be met as well. Maybe consider giving an extra gift to help purchase items for the container that are not donated. The generosity of our donors is exceptional. Please accept our thanks in advance for your willingness to so lovingly support "His Kids."



### List Highlights

#### KITCHEN

Blenders 7 • Large metal serving spoons 20

#### HOME

Washing machines 8 • Folding chairs 100

#### CHILDREN'S NEEDS

Children's clothing—Age 10+  
• Antibiotics • Medical Clinic supplies

#### DEVELOPMENT

Weed eaters (gas powered) 4 • Work Gloves 24

#### AGRICULTURE

John Deere 855 Tractor or similar • Leaf rakes 10 • Garden hoeses 20

#### SCHOOL

School back packs 42 • School supplies

#### BAKERY

Large baking sheets 40 • Cookie cutters

## PLEASE SPONSOR ME!

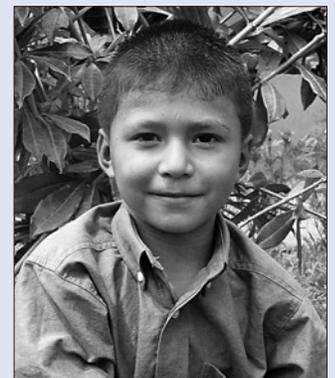
### My name is Fernando

I need a sponsor. I am 6 years old and live in El Salvador. Please return this coupon to sponsor me each month. God bless you for helping me have a chance.

\$30    \$60    \$\_\_\_\_\_

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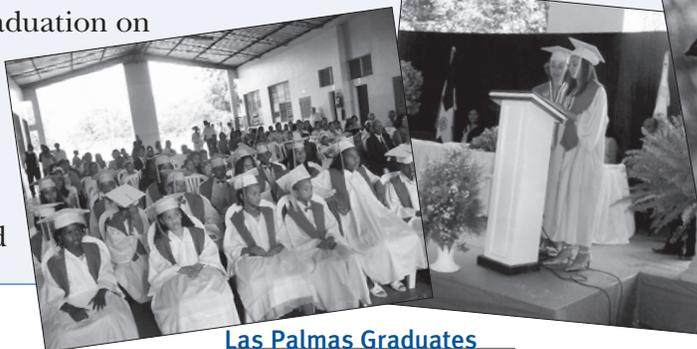
Sponsorship Department



# Congratulations to our graduates of 2007

**G**raduation in the school system of the Dominican Republic takes place at three different grade levels. Your first graduation takes place when you complete the first grade, the second when you complete the eighth grade and the third when you finish high school. As education is considered to be a very important element within our ICC programs, graduations have a special significance at our children's villages.

Las Palmas held their most recent graduation on the 15th of July. A total of fourteen children graduated



Las Palmas Graduates

from the three respective grades. The ceremonies comprised events that took place over all three days of the weekend.

Two events in particular stood out for those who attended. First was the address given by Yarinet, who graduated with High Honors, on behalf of the first-grade class. She memorized her speech and stole the hearts and applause of the audience. The second event was the speech given by

Maria on behalf of the twelfth grade class. This speech was given from the heart and moved many in the audience to tears.

We are also very proud to inform you that we have our first student from El Oasis (Mexico) that will be going to College, starting this August. Daniela will be studying Educative Psychology at the Navojoa University.

The children are very grateful for the help they receive from ICC and from their sponsors. They would like to wish God's blessings for all the work you do on behalf of the children.



Daniela

## Flashing The News To The World

**I**t was one of those meetings that just can't be assigned to chance. After giving a presentation about ICC at the SDA church in The Dalles, OR. last month, Ottis Edwards, special assistant to ICC's president, was approached by a gentleman by the name of Rich DuBose seeking further information about ICC.

As it turned out, Mr. DuBose works for the Pacific Union Conference of the SDA church as director of PUC's program Church Support Services. Through their website, CSS provides news about resources for ministries, ministry leaders and

pastors working in the Western U.S. and Hawaii.

Mr. DuBose was also preparing to launch a new website named SpiritFlash™ (sponsored by the PUC) that would provide a place for those ministries served by CSS to post short, informational videos about those ministries using a method similar to YouTube™. (SpiritFlash™ has now launched and ICC's contribution is available for viewing).

Mr. DuBose was so impressed by the presentation about ICC and its mission that he asked Ottis if ICC would be willing to provide information about our ministry

for the Church Support Services website and a short video for the SpiritFlash™ website. Needless to say, we did just that.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to Rich DuBose, Church Support Services and SpiritFlash™ for allowing ICC to use their resources to Share The Vision of our work.

If you would like to read the article about ICC visit <http://www.churchsupportservices.org> or see our TV commercial at <http://www.spiritflash.org>.

# *A Personal Note*

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Dear ICC Family,

Maria met us at the airport with the news, “We have a new little boy. It’s a sad story. I’m not sure I should have accepted him.”

“Why not?” I asked.

“I guess you’ll have to see for yourself,” she answered.

We had just returned to the Receiving Center in Guatemala from a quick trip to take care of ICC business in Vancouver. In those beginning days of the program, we found ourselves covering a lot of basis. There weren’t funds yet for anything except caring for the children as they came in, and keeping up with building homes out at the Children’s Village. Except for a cook and housekeeper, we only had one caretaker. I handled the cooking, housekeeping and care of the children, while Ken did the financial part and supervised the building. By now, we had seven or eight little ones in the center, some toddlers, some babies, and now our newest and oldest.

“Tell us more about the new boy,” I urged. “When did he come?”

“He’s only been here a few days. Actually, his father brought him. He and his wife had adopted him out of the government orphanage when he was a baby. She was recently killed in an automobile accident, and that tragedy has really traumatized the little fellow, that and a new step-mother. He’s five years old, and in good physical shape, but the man said no one can handle the boy. He’s tried several maids, but they soon quit. Unfortunately, the only punishment they know is beating him, and he is just more out of control. The father is a working man and was beside himself to know what to do. He even offered to pay the legal fees if we would take his son.”

As we entered the center, little Juan, (not his real name) met us at the door. He was a handsome little fellow and seemed bright and friendly. But, after we unpacked our bags and settled in we soon saw the reason for Maria’s concern. Little Juan might have been compared to a bull in a china shop. He went from one mischief to another. The maid was on his trail, but obviously she couldn’t handle him. Later that afternoon, while I was busy in the kitchen, the maid came calling me urgently. “Come quick, Senora, Juan just poked our smallest baby in the eye!”

Since I was busy preparing the evening meal, I went, took the little fellow by the arm and led him to Ken, who was at his desk, working on some papers. “Could you please control this little fellow for us? He can’t be left alone!”

Ken found a small child’s chair and set it beside him. “Here sonny, you sit here by Papi Fleck. I’ll tell you when to get up.”

But Juan had obviously never learned to obey anyone. He just got right up. “No, Juancito, I said to sit here.”

But, again the boy was jumping up. Ken grabbed his collar and set him down firmly. “I told you to stay until I tell you to get up.” This time Juancito realized he wasn’t dealing with a maid, and he sat back down, but began to cry.

Ken talked to him quietly, “You can get up after you think about it for awhile and are ready to be a good boy and not hurt other children.”

Juancito was quiet and thoughtful and during the meal he seemed subdued. When we gathered all the children into the living area for the evening devotions, Juancito made a point of sitting by Ken.

We taught the children some songs and told a Bible story. All at once Juancito crawled up on Ken's lap, looking into his face. "Papi Fleck, I need a papi. Would you be my papi?"

It was a moment we would never forget and a lesson in dealing with the children. In the years that followed, Juan grew up in the Children's Village. He was still the same active little boy, who seemed to get into his share of mischief. But, whenever Ken visited the Children's Village, Juancito would be at his side, sitting in church, walking on the grounds, wherever. He gave Ken the love and trust of a son to a father. Now, he is grown, married, with children of his own. But he calls us long distance, wanting to know how we are.

When he heard the news lately that Ken is facing a life-threatening health challenge, he called. He wanted to know all about it. "Papi Fleck can't die!" he cried. "We will pray for him. He can't die! I am going to have our church pray for him. Jesus will help him!"

The next week he called again on Sabbath afternoon. "How is Papi? We prayed for him in church today. Everyone gathered into groups to pray for Papi Fleck!"

Juan isn't the only one of our children who has called or sent messages. The Emails and calls have come. You can be sure that Ken's eyes fill with tears as he realizes the love of all our children. He knows that God is with him, but he also feels there is something very special about the love and prayers of a boy who needed a Papi so much.

With our love and prayers,

*Aleyou and Ken*

P.S. ICC continues to provide momi's and papi's to our children, but we can't do this alone. If you're not already involved, please consider supporting the children of ICC through sponsorship or monthly giving.



The Flecks visiting ICC children in Mexico

## WELDING TANKS NEEDED

Our Mexico project is in need of two "Argon Gas Tanks" (40CF size preferred). These are steel tanks that are needed for wire-feed welding. With these tanks we will be able to make some repairs to our own equipment at the project.

If you can help us, please contact Doug at ICC HQ either by phone or email.

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