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Here's a thought... If you had the opportunity to do anything, I mean anything, in this lifetime, and you knew that you had a good chance of succeeding at it, what would it be? If you are not taking those opportunities, chances are you have already succeeded at failing at what you didn't attempt to achieve. Huh? Now, figure that out!

Mark 11:23, 2 Cor. 9:8

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Conference on Honduras 2006 – Copan Ruinas...

It was more than I had hoped for or had anticipated. Representatives of Christian organizations and NGO's (non-governmental organizations) who pour time and resources into Honduras attended the 6th annual conference on Oct 12th – 15th at Copan Ruinas, Honduras. Viola and I set up a booth in the main lobby, catching all attendees and passers-by as we displayed our coffee and passed out brochures. The interest in our mission was encouraging. I was the first speaker on the second day of the 4-day conference. Immediately after my presentation on the Manos de Cafe project, I was pulled aside by 'this' organization and 'that' visiting pastor. This interest continued right up until the day we left.

In many of our conversations with the various people we met, there was an ongoing theme that was very interesting. They considered our connection with them as being a divine appointment, sometimes expressed as an answer to prayer. The Christian organizations we spoke with were purposely looking for God-led connections that would be an answer to whatever situation or project they were involved in or wanting to be involved with.

For some, we offered the possibility of receiving their teams, thus helping with our work with the children. For others, we could offer partnerships through our Coffee Online Participant Program whereby the necessary funds for their missionary outreaches could be raised through the sale of coffee.

If you are considering coming to Honduras for a mission trip in 2007, you may want to consider taking in next year's conference. It is usually held in October and at Copan Ruinas, Honduras. You would need an additional \$450.00 (approx) to pay for registration, transportation, food and lodging. That's not bad for a 3-night, 4-day stay at a conference that is held in an area of one of the world's most well known archeological sites, a designated World Heritage Site. If you are interested in doing this, just drop me a line.



Coffee Online made it's first public appearance at Youth Conference 2006, held in Corner Brook, NL... 3500 plus were in attendance, mostly youth. The opportunity was made available when one of our volunteers, Ed Bonnell, seized the opportunity when it presented itself. I believe "seizing the moment" is a God-thing. Shortly thereafter, Alma Greeley formed a team and they started planning the event. After lots of work organizing, purchasing coffee, cups, lids, banners, posters, flyers, and the list goes on, they were able to share the mission with the attendees of YC plus serve them probably the best cup of coffee they had ever tasted!

Also, during this time, I was linked online to one of their Break Out Sessions through webcast. This is when people at the YC event are able to attend a class to hear more about a particular subject. Alma and her team presented Coffee Online, what it is all about, and the attendees had an opportunity to ask questions directly to a missionary live from Honduras. That was fun.

This was our first experience at such an event and we are hoping that the Lord will open other doors so we can again spread the message of Coffee With a Mission..."Buy our coffee, feed a child...it's that simple."

If you would like to do something like this in your area, just let me know and we will talk. Email me at westcott@cablcolor.hn.



**Top: Coffee being served.
Bot: Alma at Break-Out Session**



Christian Ministries, Hot Springs, AR... They are not strangers to Manos Extendidas and our need for their short-term visiting mission teams. This year 10 men came and installed new ceilings in both centers, helped attach the metal railings on the upper areas of the new wall being constructed at # 1 and they also built desks for one of the centers. For three of the men, this was their first time ever visiting a third world country and from the emotion shared on their last morning...I can tell you, their hearts were touched and lives were changed forever. A BIG thank you to all our visiting teams that make a difference in the lives of our children.

Prayer & Praise Reports

- Pray for continued growth of the café mission projects, Manos de Café and Coffee Online.
- Pray that more churches and organizations would catch the vision for Los Ninos Café's whereby funds are raised for missions through the sale of coffee to parishioners and supporters.
- More sponsors for the little ones at our two Daycare Programs and thanksgiving for our new sponsors. We now have 38 children sponsored. Praise the Lord.
- Pray for our upcoming team from London, Ontario. It is always a joy to receive fellow Canadians.
- Pray that the contacts made during the Honduras conference and at the YC 2006 would endure and produce good fruit.
- Thanksgiving that Alvin and Nelly are now well into the process of building their new house. They expect be able to move in soon. They have a beautiful piece of land close to the Base with a breathtaking view. God is good! What was meant for their harm, God turned to good, very good!
- **As always, our heart is filled with praise and thanksgiving for all who partner with us day by day with your prayers, finances, words of encouragement, etc. God bless you each and everyone. We could not do it without each one of you.**