



NEWSLETTER

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Here's a thought... Faith can manifest only through the diligent, working effort of the individual. You have a part to play in this. Faith comes by hearing the words of God found in the bible. Speak God's words over your life and the things He has promised to you. This will fuel the faith you need to overcome the challenges of life. Patience will help you to wait and endure for the results.

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Above is a picture of the open gate to our house. It's there for our security. At the flick of a remote button, we can open and close the gate at will.

“2007 is the year of the open door.”

When I recently heard this prophecy from an internationally respected man of God, I claimed it for my *personal life*, the life of *my ministry* and for *the vision* that the Lord has planted in my heart.

Personal Life: I am believing that this open door will bring about an increase in satisfying the needs and desires I have for my wife, children and grandchildren. I believe that the Lord is going to make a way where there is no apparent way, to enable us to walk divinely into the things of God that will bless heaven and those around us.

My Ministry: I believe that the Lord is going to give to me greater insight into marketing strategies that will increase coffee sales for Coffee Online and Manos de Café. I also believe that the Lord is going to increase the quantity and quality of the visiting teams that will be joining us to minister to the children of Honduras. I see heart-changing evangelism, greater financial commitments and works of mercy. I also believe that the Lord is going to increase the awareness of the Child Sponsorship Program, opening doors to greater possibilities of getting the message into churches and people's heart. That will catapult this program to greater heights, changing this next generation for the sake of the gospel in Honduras.

The Vision: I believe that doors will be opened and doors will be closed that no man can open or close as it relates to the unfolding plans of His Secret Place this year. I believe that the Lord will show us the supernatural progression that we are to take to make this vision a reality. I believe that the Lord will open doors in the lives of people who will play an important role in this process, not having to be persuaded but coming with an contagious enthusiasm that will affect those in their circle of influence. I believe that!

I would like to encourage you to set your sights higher than what your own abilities can accomplish without divine intervention from God. You have nothing to lose but your pride and anything you gain will cause you to be further ahead than where you had been before.

Work hard and you will be rewarded...

In December, it was my privilege to award this little boy with a bicycle for his outstanding performance at the Daycare Center. He was very surprised and excited. His parents were delighted that their little boy would be recognized for his hard work and faithful attendance in Manos Extendidas Daycare Program. I, too, was surprised and honored at the invitation to present this award. Please understand that there are many others who are there on the front lines...teachers and volunteers who make this whole children's program possible. I am just a very small part of the equation. The front-line workers deserve this honor.



Just listening to the children express their future desires to be a doctor, teacher, pastor, policeman, among other professions is exciting enough for us. Not more than a few years ago, when the children were asked what they wanted to be when they grew up, they would reply with much lesser expectations. P.T.L. Manos Extendidas is making a difference through prayer and dedication in these little ones lives.



I am getting too old for this... not really!

After almost two months of house hunting...and approximately 24 house viewings, we were able to find a house that we believe is an answer to prayer. It has everything we need to live safely and comfortably. I don't know about you but I am almost 50 years old and moving house is not something I get excited about now. When we first moved here to Honduras, we had only a few suitcases and a laptop computer. That move was easy as far as getting things from one location to another.

But now, praise the Lord, we have a houseful of furniture. So what am I complaining about? I'm not; I know we are blessed! Through our friends at Compassion International, we even hired a company to move our furniture. We still have an extra bedroom for guests, so... when are you coming for a visit?

Prayer & Praise Reports

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for the safe arrival of our first grandchild. A beautiful, healthy baby girl named Ava Leona Westcott was born in Maryland on January 24th. Congratulations to Wesley and Jenny. Ava is a precious gift from the Lord as are her mom and dad!
- Praise the Lord, Manos de Café reached record coffee sales in the month of January. We sold over 700 lbs of coffee to visiting missionaries. That results in more food for our children at the two Feeding Centers. Pray for continued growth of 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.
- Pray for more sponsors for the little ones at our two Daycare Programs and thanksgiving for our new sponsors. We now have 53 children sponsored. Praise the Lord. That is an additional 15 since our last newsletter.
- Pray for our upcoming mission teams from West Virginia and Michigan that the Lord's agenda would be realized in each life. Pray also for their protection and health.
- Please continue to pray that the contacts made during the Honduras Conference and at the YC 2006 would endure and produce good fruit.
- Praise and thanksgiving to the Lord that all our needs will continue to be met according to His riches in glory even as our expenses have increased this year.
- **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.**