

Updates from Guatemala!

We are overjoyed to update you on God's remarkable provision and impact that has unfolded since the launch of the Compassion Center in Chimaltenango over the past year. By grace we have been able to bring the message of the kingdom of God through word and deed to 150 children and their families. We sincerely trust that your bond with the child you're supporting has deepened through the exchange of heartfelt letters.

The power of letters is truly remarkable, as seen in the touching story of 11-year-old Kaylane. Despite facing challenges such as the loss of a parent and bullying at school, Kaylane finds God peace and strength through the encouraging letters from her sponsor. It's a testament to the profound impact a simple act of kindness can have on a child's life. You can read more about God's work in Kaylane's life [here](#).

We are also thanking God that the La Hermosa Compassion Center is fully staffed and operational. Children attend the center three hours a day, twice a week. The church's child development center has accomplished several recent milestones:

- The program started on April 28, 2023.
- 150 children were registered.
- Staff have been hired and trained.
- Supplies and equipment were purchased.
- 150 children received bibles.

In partnership with Compassion International and HOPE International, we are actively seeking God's will to bring HOPE International into Guatemala, with a focus on a holistic ministry approach. As a reminder HOPE International specializes in a gospel-centered savings micro-financing model, working in alignment with local churches to empower communities.

By God's grace, we are on track to witness this transformative model of ministry unfold. Currently, HOPE International is training church leaders in El Salvador with plans to launch gospel-centered savings groups into Guatemalan local churches in the fall of 2024.

As we continue on this journey, we invite you to join us in prayer for:

The Lord's will to be done:

- Opening doors for HOPE International to work alongside Compassion, bringing holistic gospel transformation to children, local churches, families, and entire communities.
- Opportunities to visit La Hermosa in 2024.
- The continued reception of God's truth by the children we partner with, that their hearts may be opened to His love through the power of His Spirit and grace.
- Pray for our church partner La Hermosa that the Word of God would be faithfully preached and hearts changed by the power of the Spirit.

We are grateful to God and thankful for the commitment we share by the work of the Holy Spirit to join our Lord's work in Guatemala. (Matt. 24:14)

