## **Mission Honduras LeMars**



As Mission Honduras and Then Feed Just One directors, we try to live up to the very values that guide these programs - values that you may also hold: Collaboration and Partnership with the Honduran people; Compassion, Kindness, and Love, in serving our fellow brothers and sisters in Honduras; Integrity and Excellence, as we manage these programs to the highest possible quality, no matter the challenges; Accountability and Honesty in how we manage your supporting dollars, and lastly; Respect and Humility for all of God's children worldwide.



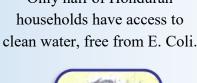
water project in La Ceiba





Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make a difference. ~ Marian Rogers

Only half of Honduran households have access to





Purchased blankets for prisoners

Today 4,900 children worldwide will die from diarrhea caused by unsafe water and sanitation.

50% of medical facilities in rural areas of the world do not have access to piped-in running water; 39% lack soap for hand washing.

In the past hour, 60 children died from a water-related disease.







**Thousands** have lived without love. not one without water.

W. H. Auden



Donated medical materials, like Butterfly ultrasounds, laryngoscopes, defibrillators, syringes, tegaderm, prostheses, wheelchairs, catheters, CPR mannequins, knitted hats, and much more, are making a huge difference in Honduran medical care.









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small, is ever wasted.

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50% of rural households are affected by extreme poverty.





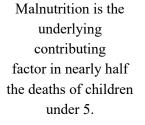
feeding tube

In the past year MHL has shipped 11.6 tons of medical equipment, school supplies, and clothes into Honduras. 70% of that was medical.

\$.93 on medical care, projects, food

\$.05 on administrative costs

\$.02 on fundraising



Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right, the right to dignity and a decent life.

~ Nelson Mandela





Donated toys bring smiles to little patients.

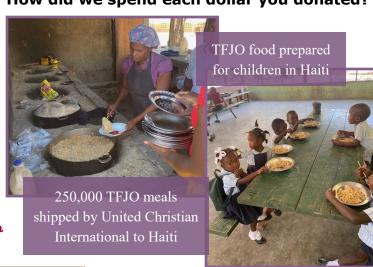




delivering medical equipment to Montaña de la Flor



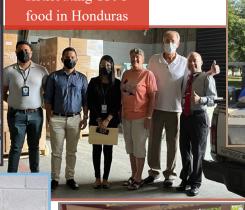
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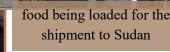






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Malnutrition kills more people than wars, and we must act to end this violence.



The Tolupan pick up & distribute food to Montaña de la Flor.



If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one. - Mother Teresa



## Then Feed Just One

Consecutive years of drought in Central America's Dry Corridor - a region that encompasses much of Honduras - have exacerbated food security among poor households. Like many in the world, the poor of Honduras struggle on a daily basis to provide even the bare essentials. With your help we can assist those who struggle the most to provide the basic needs for their children.





Honduras rep, Marta Sosa, packed food with Gehlen students.

3 million children will die each year from malnutrition - 100% of them are preventable.

~ Navyn Salem, Edesia founder



TFJO fed 1,040,688 children from October 2022 to August 2023

23 packing events have been held since our last newsletter



A person shows what he is by what he does with what he has.

One of the greatest
feelings in the world is
knowing that we as
individuals can make a
difference. Ending hunger is
a goal that is literally within
our grasp.

~ Jeff Bridges



TFJO has shipped 78.48 tons of food into Honduras this past year.



In children under 5, stunting levels are at 23%. In some areas of the country, it is closer to 40%.



Wherever people are suffering, make it your task to serve them.

~ Pope John Paul II



www.thenfeedjustone.org

Gehlen Catholic Mission Honduras 2023 The 32-member team built 3 homes & 32 beds; distributed 3,136 pounds of donated materials; gave the children homemade jump ropes; handed out several hand-sewn skirts; taught women to knit infants' stocking hats. They also created life-changing memories for the Hondurans, and, most especially, for themselves.



mother & son await their home











cross blessing for the new home







The poor are easy to ignore before you know their names - see their faces - hold them in your arms. Once you do, everything changes.





delivering gift bags to families





When we love others, we're living the truth of God out loud.



using jump ropes made of t-shirts





Respiratory problems, parasitic diseases, and diarrhea decrease if a child does not sleep on a dirt floor.



**Every action of our** lives touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity.

~ Edwin Hubbel Chapin

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