

CHCA – JOURNEY

SELF DISCOVERY

Knowing your Heavenly Father

Self-discovery can only truly take place when we intentionally seek out what the FATHER has said about us! There are so many voices that try to dictate who we are – but the knowledge of “WHOSE” we are is the beginning of our self-discovery. This past year, God started me on a NEW journey – ‘who are you without the titles/label?’ For many years I identified myself as ‘wife of...’, ‘mother of...’, ‘missionary...’ and the list went on! God started showing me that my identity and worth should only be ROOTED in CHRIST. Everything else may fail, breakdown or change but being a loved child of God – NEVER CHANGES! There are no qualifiers for this – it is not based on how I perform or what I do – I am simply **“A LOVED DAUGHTER OF THE KING.”** What Jesus did at the cross – His performance is the ONLY QUALIFIER!!



SEE WHAT GREAT LOVE THE FATHER HAS LAVISHED ON US, THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD! AND THAT IS WHAT WE ARE! THE REASON THE WORLD DOES NOT KNOW US IS THAT IT DID NOT KNOW HIM.

1JOHN 3:1

Sowing seeds so that it will bear good fruit in our children

MINISTRY NEEDS

Sow a seed that will bear GOOD fruit in a child’s life by ...

Sponsor a Classroom

- Option 1: \$30 monthly (217 ppl)
- Option 2: \$50 monthly (130 ppl)
- Option 3: \$100 monthly (65 ppl)
- Option 4: \$500 monthly (13 ppl/org)
- Option 5: \$1300 monthly (5 ppl/org)

Items to Donate

Young men & adult men

-clothing, shoes...

Children clothing

-summer items

School Supplies

- construction paper, pencils, pens, glue, paper, scissors...
- Picture books in Spanish
- Spanish Bibles

Missions House

- 7shower heads
- 1 kitchen faucet
- 10-bathroom hooks
- 1 microwave
- 1 coffee maker
- 1 toaster oven
- 1 waffle maker
- 50 grey hand towels
- 50 white towels
- 1 kitchen pot set

On Going Projects

- Construction of washroom (students) \$3000
- Construction of new kitchen \$3500
- Completion of mission house \$60,000
- Plumbing for public access to water well \$550
- Purchase of a Motorbike \$1200

MINISTRY UPDATE

The past several months were filled with so much excitement and development for the ministry. Thank you to everyone who continues to support us and pray for the work we are doing in Barahona.



-Thank you, **Leonie Smith** who took three months off work to join us here in Barahona. Her 25 years' experience as a nurse was a vital asset to us. Her time here will not be easily forgotten by the young ladies who had the opportunity to meet weekly to discuss their value in Christ! Her many roles included; teacher, nurse, counsellor, custodian and personally, a great help for my boy and I.



-It was great to host the **Hoppler family** this June. Thank you, Dereck, Belinda, Breanna, Marc and the Olive Branch Community Church for our new park – this new addition to our facility does not go a day without use. **"Parque Hoppler"** is adding smiles to so many faces each day.

"Play is a vital part of a child's learning process!"

In a day when so many young people are focused on their own needs, it was refreshing to see this family put aside their own personal needs and comfort to join us here in the DR.



-It is with great JOY and appreciation that we say thank you to the **BRIDGE to DR** - 6th year in a row serving with us in Barahona. This year's team consisted of 24 youths and young adults. They continued constructing the mission house, hosted VBS, women and men Bible study, music class (recorders), sport and craft camp, hospital visit, community prayer walk and community baseball game and an impromptu community basketball game.

"Service without humility is selfishness and egotism." Mahatma Gandhi

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The men's Bible study group had the privilege to welcome Angel (16 years old) into the faith and to participate in his water baptism. It is so uplifting to see the seeds planted starting to bear GOOD fruit. Thank you, Lord, for the continued partnership with THE BRIDGE, Markham Community Church.

"Therefore, he is able to save completely those who come to God through Him, because he always lives to intercede for them." Hebrews 7:25



-For three months we were graced with the presence of another nurse, Ciara Sison from the Bridge, Young Adults group. Ciara has been a part of the Bridge to DR team for the past five years and felt the call from God to serve with us for a longer period. Ciara ran two English programs (beginner & advance), facilitated many medical workshops for our staff (CPR, First AID), tutored students, and the list goes. Ciara exemplified what it is to be a young woman after God's heart. Her bond with students, staff and community has deepened during her time year.



"Do what you can to show you care about other people, and you will make our world a better place." Rosalynn Carter



-Our ministry had the opportunity to partner with ONE Community Church, Plano, Texas this summer. Villa Central was blessed to host two mission teams from this ministry – First, they facilitated a basketball camp for nearly 200 children and young adults. The young people not only learnt basketball skills and drills but was led in daily devotions through the word of God. The second group consisted of 4 families who chose to serve on the mission field with their children. This time was inspiring as we watched children lead worship and a mini VBS program, helping with promoting good hygiene with manicures and pedicures for our students, and facilitating games, sharing their personal testimonies, going door to door, sharing the gospel as they teach how to use a simple water filtration device. It is wonderful to see how children so quickly adapt to each other and to new environments – there was absolutely no cultural barrier, no language barriers, just pure childlike love for each other and the community of Villa Central.

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Special thanks to Crileidy and Sharma who has made Barahona their second home, so that they can be available to serve alongside us. Hosting the Bridge to DR team and Texas team was a complete success because of these two ladies and Ciara.

To Our Partner

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

There is no monetary value that we can put on your seed that you continue to sow each month into the Vision of CHCA. Lives are being touched and transformed by your love and support. On behalf of all our students, staff, my boys and myself – Thank you for all that you do to help our ministry be fruitful.

TOGETHER OUR IMPACT IS IMMEASURABLE.

Give others the opportunity to participate in what God is doing in Barahona, Dominican Republic by sharing this newsletter.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:58

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.



-We are well off to a great 2018-2019 school year. Our enrollment has increased this year to over 70 students. We started a new art program – thanks to Johnny Boucard. He is a passion artist who offered his time and love to teach our students all he knows and loves about art.

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God Bless,

Kenisha Taylor-Paradys

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