

## Update #202203 – REJOICING ALWAYS



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### Palacaguina Christian Academy Changing a Generation

*Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!* – Philippians 4:4

*Rejoice always. Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.* – 1 Thessalonians 5:16,18

We have so much to be thankful for and to rejoice over in the Lord. The school and ministry are strong, and we are getting to make a powerful impact every day. And though it is easy to rejoice when things are going well, I was reminded today how we need to always rejoice no matter what our situation. We have a hope in Christ which allows us to truly rejoice and give thanks in all circumstances. Please know that we are praying for each of you, our ministry partners, that no matter what situations you may be facing, good or bad, you will be encouraged to give thanks and rejoice in the Lord always.

### ANF PARTNERSHIP

We continue to be blessed with opportunities to partner with great organizations like the American Nicaragua Foundation (ANF). Our partnership through the years has allowed us to feed not only our students but also hundreds of children and families in communities all around Palacaguina. We are grateful for our continued partnership and for those who have a heart to help those in need. In addition to food, ANF often will provide needed furniture and other supplies. We are grateful this month to have received desks for our teachers and office furniture we will use to improve our school offices. God is so good.



### NEW WATER TOWER

The primary water tower that supplies the school with water is broken. The team has patched it temporarily, but we greatly need a new tank and a way to install it. Though we try to never be in debt, we have had to borrow the \$1,650 to replace it immediately. If you would like to help us with this unexpected need, it would be most appreciated.



## PROJECTS

Though the multi-purpose center project seems like such a long-term goal, we are doing what we can to inch closer. This month we have been digging, by hand, and moving rock to prepare the area. We are using this rock to strengthen what will be the future foundations of the building. It is exciting to see this area being transformed. And, we now have a basketball goal for the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> graders.



## LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

As many of the families we serve have very little means, we strive to help in any way we can. Though our family's only pay 20% of actual tuition costs, we offer additional scholarships to further reduce those costs by 50% for those who qualify. Each year, families must apply and be approved. We are grateful this year to provide these scholarships to 57% of our families who have qualified. As a part of this application process, applicants need to answer two questions: 1) Why PCA? and 2) Why do you need assistance? I would like to share a few responses, anonymously, in the hope you will be able to feel the powerful impact you are making in the lives of these wonderful and deserving families when you support and pray for PCA. Though it is only about \$6 a month in financial assistance, it makes a world of difference for these 109 families.

I am a single mother and alone must take care of two daughters

We do not have enough resources, our jobs are temporary

We have only a single income which barely covers our basic needs

I keep fighting for my daughter to continue studying at PCA

We are parents with low economic resources, assistance helps us to provide the children's daily food

Because I am a single mother with limited economic resources

Because I want my daughter to be an educated person with good principles and values

PCA is a safe place for my child where they learn values, quality education, and you really care about my child

Because I am deaf and have very little opportunity for income

Because it is a school with Christian principles, where my daughter has been treated with love, respect, and a very good education

## PCA STUDENT PICS



## 2022 PROJECTS AND GOALS

2022 PCA Projects, by importance, include:

- Replace PCA Water Tank System - \$1,650
- Finish 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom - \$6,450
  - Phase I: Windows/Doors - \$2,200
  - Phase II: Tile/Finishing - \$2,100
  - Phase III: Desks - \$2,150
- Finish back wall - \$3,000
- Multi-Purpose Center (MPC) (Cancha) – Possibly up to \$90K
  - Phase I: Front Foundation - \$4,000
  - Phase II: Concrete Floor - \$TBD
- Paint primary school - \$2,000
- Front wall for Cancha (Gym) - \$4,000
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Sewing Space/Mission Housing - \$10,000
- Expand roofing over 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade play area - \$6,300

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- ❖ Pray for a new water tower for the school.
- ❖ Please pray for the families and students of PCA that they will feel God's love through us.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for Bailey as God powerfully uses her to minister to students and the many opportunities in the community and with groups she is hosting this year.
- ❖ Pray for the World Race Team we are hosting that will be serving in PCA and the community from March 11<sup>th</sup> through April 18<sup>th</sup>

## PRAYERS ANSWERED – DEFICIT UPDATE

Thank you for your continued prayers!!! We started the 2022 year with an operational deficit of \$27,000. That deficit, as of March 1<sup>st</sup>, is now GONE! Praise the Lord! And thank you to all who have given.

Continue to pray for God to open doors for new sponsors and expanding our network of partners. Currently, we have 75 students not sponsored. If all children were sponsored, we would not be at an operational deficit each year. However, without these children sponsored, we will continue to have an annual realized deficit of \$36,000 each year. So please pray, as Jabez did, for the long-term solution of expanding our territory, that our influence would grow, and we would have the opportunity to bring more glory to God and His kingdom work.

(1 Chronicles 4:10)

## PCA SPONSORSHIP

We have 75 students unsponsored at PCA. We strive to never turn a child away due to not having a sponsor, but the budget challenges for having many students unsponsored are difficult. Consider sharing the opportunity to sponsor one of our students with friends or family. Only \$40 a month sponsors a child and provides a uniform, books, a daily meal, and access to an education and the gospel of Jesus Christ.



Dios te bendiga de la familia Witonski!!! (God Bless you from the Witonski family)



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### PCA At-a-glance

Number of total Students: 191

Current Project: WaterTank

Construction/Uniform Jobs: 3-7

Grades: P-K3, P-K4, Kinder, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Current Project Needs: \$1,605

Total Meals Fed (2022): 4,710

Full-Time Jobs: School (22)

Children Needing Sponsors: 75

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