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FIRST THE GOOD NEWS

In September we reported that two of the scholarship students, Ronald Ordoñez and Yeris Romero had been injured in motorcycle accidents. As for Yeris, his arm is completely healed. Ronald's elbow was severely crushed and he is still facing another surgery and hoping to regain full use of the arm. However, we are happy to let you know that both of them are back in classes and recovering well.

A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL DAY AT A BUTTERFLY FARM



Julio Martinez Explains Butterflies To The Students and Helpers

A tropical climate like Nicaragua's is the ideal place to find a wide variety of butterflies. Recently a special gift from a friend of La Escuelita made it possible for the students, teachers and helpers to visit a farm where butterflies are grown and studied. The role of butterflies as pollinators is very important in Nicaraguan agriculture. For most of the children, however, it was a fun day to be in a rural area - a rare event for children whose lives are surrounded by the concrete of the neighborhood around La Escuelita.

Special gifts from people like YOU make events like this possible.

GIFTS OF DRESSES





Elieth and Sarita Show off New Dresses

The children of La Escuelita have received gifts of colorful, homemade dresses from groups of women in several churches in central Pennsylvania. We thank women from churches and organizations in Milton and Bloomsburg for thier sewing talent, and for bringing these smiles to the girls of La Escuelita.

TRADITIONAL FOLK DANCE



Many of the children have been able to learn traditional Nicaraguan Folk Dances, and some of the mothers have been helping to make costumes. This is another fun activity La Escuelita provides for the children who don't usually have opportunities like this.

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HEALTH AND WELLNESS DELEGATION AT LA ESCUELITA



Doctors, Nurses and Helper from Evangelical Hospital

A group of doctors and nurses from Evangelical Community Hospital in Lewisburg, PA visited La Escuelita in March and did physical exams on all the children. The medical team held a health educational fair at the school for parents and children. They led an educational session at the nearby health post at the invitation of the local doctors.

This was an exploratory visit by the Hospital. These exams and follow-up care are extremely important to parents and children who have limited access to primary care. We hope that this will become an annual visit.



Nurse Hannah Richards Teaches Tooth Brushing To One Of the Kids



Nicaraguan Doctor, Lester Muñoz, Helped With the Clinic Every day.

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