

Greetings from your missionaries to the Honduras! We – Ken, Gricelda, Angelina, Victor, and Kenny Harrell (Victor and Kenny are now adults) – are writing to you to express our gratitude for your support of our ministry as Assemblies of God career missionaries to Honduras for the past 17 years.



We will soon be returning to the States for one year, reporting back on our ministry progress to our supporters (much as Paul and Barnabas did in Acts 14:21-28) as well as introducing ourselves and our ministry to potential new supporters.

But before continuing to thank you for your support, we'd like to tell you about Miguel.\*

### **The Tragedy of Miguel's Life**

Miguel is 8 years old and lives with his family – his mother and two younger siblings – in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Miguel doesn't attend school because in Honduras, children are required to bring their own school supplies. But Miguel's mom can't afford to pay for the supplies. So Miguel stays home while his mom is at work and his grandmother watches his younger brother and sister.



Miguel's grandmother has a hard time keeping up with two toddlers, so Miguel is often left to fend for himself. He likes to play football in the streets outside his home, and that's where he first met the soldiers of Mara Salvatrucha, the Honduran gang which controls the part of the city where his family lives.

At the age of 8, Miguel is already becoming entrenched in gang life as the "Maras," as they are known, are his primary source of ongoing affection and guidance.

And so his young life is already headed down a dangerous, purposeless life. **All for a lack of school supplies.**

### **Filled With Gratitude**

We reach children like Miguel – along with their families and ultimately the nation of Honduras – through 1) distributing gift ministry boxes and backpacks filled with school supplies at "Back to Classes with Jesus" kid's crusades; 2) training children's pastors; 3) planting churches to disciple new families coming to Christ; and, 4) providing humanitarian aid so that newly planted churches will grow in favor in the eyes of their communities.

And this "we" includes you – because of your participation in our ministry through prayer and financial support, we (you and us) have given school supplies to 160,000 children, planted 28 churches, and installed 50 water filtration systems over the past 12 years. 160,000 lives changed because you sacrificed that young children like Miguel and their families would be rescued from the clutches of the evil one.

### **We are grateful!**

We would love to be able to express our gratitude in person through a face-to-face meeting or a phone call. To that end, we'll be in touch soon!

Sincerely and appreciatively,

The Harrells

P.S. If you feel led to increase your monthly pledge or give a cash donation right now, here's an online giving link - <https://giving.ag.org/donate/600001-264718?class=00>. Or you can send a check to 1445 North Boonville Ave., Springfield, MO 65802 (enter "for Ken Harrell AGWM #2647188" in the memo line of your check).

\* Miguel's story is a combination of the stories of many children in Honduras.