

Greetings from Honduras! We are the Harrell family – Ken, Gricelda, Angelina, Victor, and Kenny (Victor and Kenny are now adults) – 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 sharing details of why we are writing you, 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 only source of ongoing affirmation and guidance.

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

How You Can Be A Part of Reaching Children Like Miguel

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.

You can participate in our ministry in a number of ways: 1) support us in prayer; 2) schedule us to speak in a service or to one of your smaller gatherings; 3) support us financially through a monthly commitment and/or one-time gift; 4) send a team from your church to work with us in church construction, evangelism, children's events, water filter installation, humanitarian aid, etc.; and/or, join us for a cup of coffee or a meal so we can get to know each other better.

We would love to be able to introduce ourselves 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 commit to a 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.