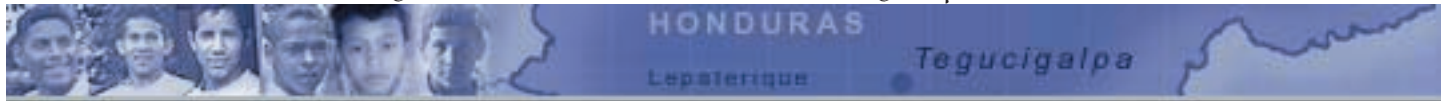


SERVANT'S HEART



"Though I am free, I make myself a servant to all, to win as many as possible" 1 Cor 9:19



May 2004

"Fresh Wind"

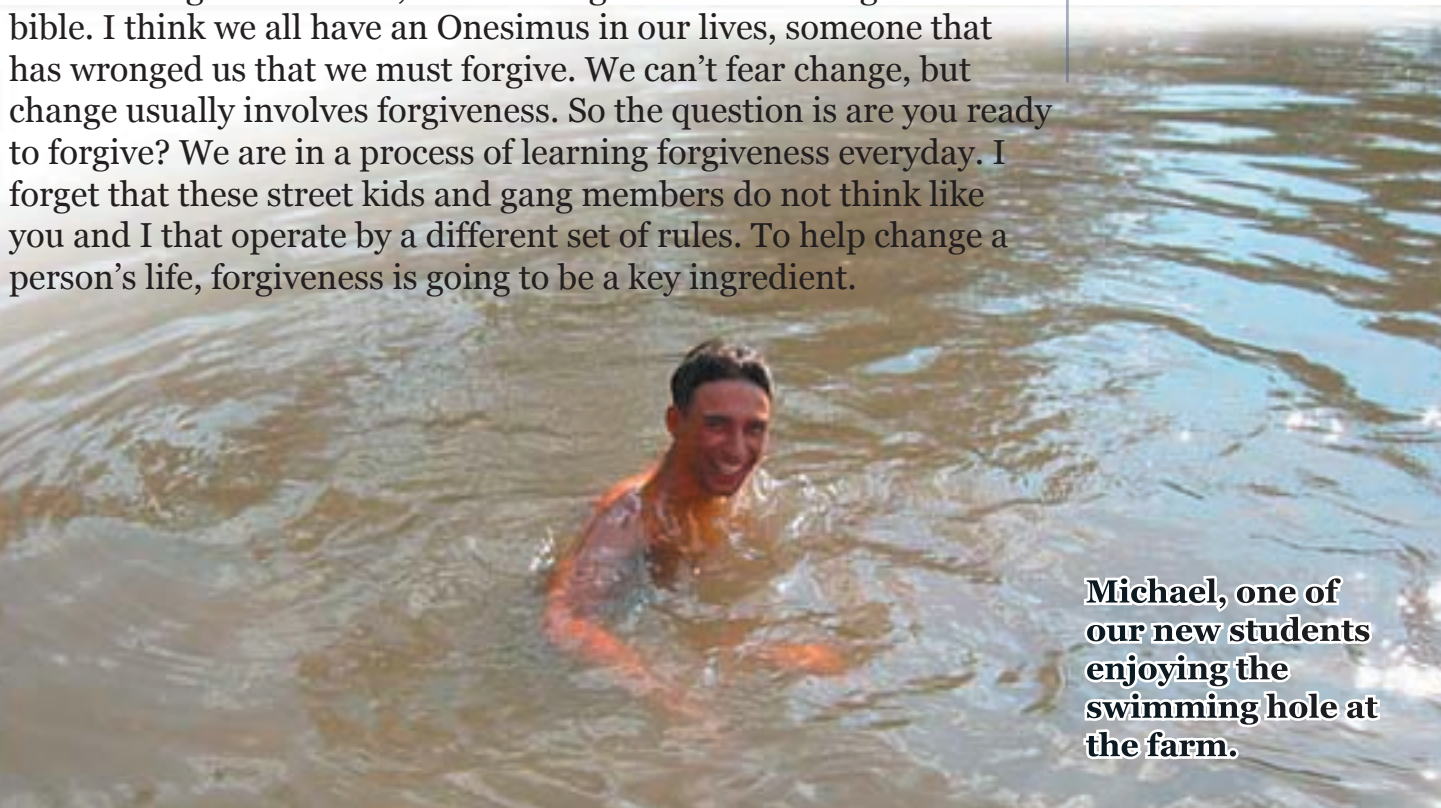
Ezekiel 37:9 "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live". All our Teen Challenge students have one thing in common, they want to change. This is the only requirement that the program has for the students. Regardless of all other factors, they must want to change their lives. Sadly enough I think it is change that most of us fear the most. .

Philemon 1:11 "who once was unprofitable to you, now is profitable to you and me". My Spanish bible translates this as "useless". How many of us have been "useless" at one point or another in our lives. We needed to change. In the book of Philemon Paul is writing to Philemon on behalf of Onesimus, an escaped slave. Paul was asking Philemon to change his attitude and forgive Onesimus, but not only to forgive him, but to receive him as he would receive Paul.

Paul was asking Philemon to deal with sin, the sin of owning slaves. It was not against the law, but it was against the teaching of the bible. I think we all have an Onesimus in our lives, someone that has wronged us that we must forgive. We can't fear change, but change usually involves forgiveness. So the question is are you ready to forgive? We are in a process of learning forgiveness everyday. I forget that these street kids and gang members do not think like you and I that operate by a different set of rules. To help change a person's life, forgiveness is going to be a key ingredient.

"To open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, & from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins.

Acts 26:18



Michael, one of our new students enjoying the swimming hole at the farm.

Easter came and went, and I am still not believing that we are already in the month of May. We got to travel to a place called "Sabaña Grande" and had some tent meetings. The boys from Teen Challenge gave their testimonies and many people came to dedicate their lives to the Lord. We had our good friend Joe come from Alabama for a week to put in all the electrical in the chapel out at the TC property. It was a great blessing to us and for the boys. We also had another team come from Panama City to work on the team house. These guys worked hard and quickly. We had so much fun with them and appreciate all their work and their friendships. We plan on doing more evangelism this coming month with the boys. Nicole has picked up more clients at the Micah Project and is keeping busy with her counseling and doing Bible classes. I have been working more closely with the boys and trying to be with them more. It has been difficult with many transitions and changes due to the building and additions to the program. It takes lots of patience and wisdom (all from the Lord above!) coming up with new schedules, rules and regulations, and work loads for the boys. They are still making blocks which are high in demand due to the amount of construction that is going on right now, even Nicole is out there shoveling the "mescla" (the mud and cement) and coming home with sore muscles. But God is faithful and has always given us the strength to carry on even when many problems arise!



Our block factory. We produce about 400 blocks in five hours.

Current Projects

Teen Challenge (building projects: chapel and team houses)

Therapy for troubled youth at the Micah Project & TC

Bible classes (Teen Challenge and Mogote)

Prayer Needs

The body of Christ will operate in the Unity of Faith.

Continued Divine Health and Safety

God will be Glorified in all that we do.

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