



Winter 2018



In the bleak mid-winter, let EYM bring you some sunshine. Here are some photos of beautiful El Salvador: a child riding bareback, the San Vicente volcano which can be seen from Taura, and John standing under an ancient mystical tree. El Salvador is tropical, so there are always gorgeous flowers, trees, and landscapes. But, it is the people, especially the children who are so beautiful to our mission and our mission partners. They are always smiling, despite their pervasive poverty, and so appreciative of the people here in the United States who help them. **YOU are their sunshine!**



**Emanuel Youth Mission** provides a Christmas fiesta with food, games, piñatas, and one gift for every community child. They are happy, and that is a Christmas gift for their families. You, our mission partners, help make this joy of giving possible. Thank you!



After Christmas, the new 2018 school year begins in January. This year, **31 children from the poorest families have scholarships in K-12 grades, and Yanci will return for her 3rd year of university toward her medical degree.** Here are some of those grateful smiling faces. **Each School sponsorship is \$300 for one year. Please consider sponsoring a child for this life changing opportunity.**

**Emanuel Youth Mission is a 501-c-3 non-profit charity. 100% of donations go to support these projects: student scholarships, clean water, medical clinic and truck. John and Jonna Clarkson, Emanuel Youth Mission, P.O. Box 582, Lovingston, VA**





Here is a group photo of students and some very happy mothers as well. Your care and giving to make education a reality for these children has brought this sunshine, these smiles, to the people of Taura. Thank you so much for reflecting God's love and light into their poverty and giving them **HOPE!**

We are also happy to report that 3 of our sponsored students graduated from high school in November. We are beginning a fund NOW to help these girls go to university in the future. They are working and hoping to go to college one day. **We hope to make that dream come true. We need your help to do that. Any amount will help. Total cost of one year of college, including all expenses is \$5,000.**



**World Water Day 2018, March 22**, raises awareness of water shortage and lack of clean water that kill so many children every day around the world. The theme this year is Nature Based Solutions for Water. **Our mission clean water system costs an average \$2,685 per month to maintain and deliver clean water to 15 communities. This is another necessity for the children.**

We hope that reading this newsletter brings some sunshine into your cold winter days and into your hearts. With your help and God's, **Emanuel Youth Mission** has served these impoverished communities in El Salvador for 13 years. **Together, we are making a difference!** We pray that you see that difference when you see these smiling faces and know that these children are happy, healthy and have a brighter future **because of you!** We thank you for all you have done, and we pray that you continue to help us shine His **Love and Light** into their lives.

**Another very important need for the people of our mission is a new community truck.** They only have this one motorized vehicle. It is the only transportation in and out of the rural communities, serves as the school bus, the only safe way for children to get to schools, and delivers our mission clean water to 15 poor rural communities. Every day, it travels on the roughest dirt roads, so our old one is no longer dependable. Please consider contributing to help purchase a new truck for these people who do so much with so little.

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