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Mission Statement

To develop a model in Monte llano where we feed, educate, and equip the citizens spiritually and practically, with the skills needed to prosper in every area of life. Led by the Holy Spirit, we will then reproduce this prototype throughout the Island nation, "One Village at a time".



Pastor Ernie & Randa Frye

A Special Note

By Randa Frye

Dear highly valued sponsor of one or more Dominican children:

Hello everyone - this is Randa Frye writing you from the Dominican Republic where I've been for nearly a month! This trip has reminded me of how important it is for us to remind

you, from time to time, what it is we do and *why* it is so important. This summer, we are hosting three mission's trips from different parts of the country - back to back. One trip is from Cranston, Rhode Island, one is from Chattanooga, Tennessee and the third trip is from our own headquarters in metro west, Boston. Some of the mission trips that stay with us at our villa retreat center, perform their mission work for outreaches other than our own; and then some do their mission work on our very own campus, 18 miles away, in the small city of Monte llano. There, is our wholly enclosed school and grounds, with 8 buildings, classrooms, a dining hall, an office for the Headmaster, bathrooms for both boys and girls, and a large playground for the children grades 1-6. Here we feed, clothe and educate gifted children of poor families, who cannot afford the excellent private education they receive from our faculty. This has been mentioned in the past, but the equivalent of the School District Superintendent of the United States, here in the Dominican Republic, has told us that this is the finest, private school in the province!

On June 18th, I was a special guest for our 6th grade graduation ceremony, in a church, whose Pastor we also sponsor. The children came in their best and were very colorful! The predominant color for the girls was bright yellow tops and ribbons in their hair and braids with long curls; the boys looked handsome as well and wearing their 'go to meeting' best! We were very excited that an outstanding number of parents attended! Each class did recitation and singing...some individually and some the entire class. They were excellent. There were two outstanding students from each class who received a gift and when they came forward to get their rank cards, they were so proud! The kindergarten and first grade students kissed their teachers! I'm sure we've mentioned in the past that the students in these early years learn to speak English. Personally, I felt proud; not only of them, but of our teachers in the excellent job they have done with their students! After the ceremony

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was over, we returned to the school for refreshments and watched them excitedly share their report cards with each other and their parents.

On Monday I was back on the campus and an invited guest to attend the last class of our sewing school. This school grew out of a dream to assist women in the village to find a way to earn income to augment funds for the family. This too, was so much fun to watch! Each of the women had brought her own work and proudly displayed it for me. I went around the room and examined each students work and I was impressed equally with the quality of the work that was done, whether it was done by a beginner or a third year student. Hortencia our teacher, is expecting quality work from each of them and she is getting it! The oldest students showed much creativity in their work and they are already selling their creations whether it be for home or the person! A former student at our children's school, Ramoncito, led in praise and worship for the ladies, playing on his guitar and happy to be participating in all of the festivities.

I hope these brief remarks give you a glimpse into just a portion of the work we are doing here in the north coast of the Dominican Republic...teaching the poor that *when their soul prospers, they will prosper and be in health*; and reminding you that *those who remember the poor, are remembered by the Lord*.

Blessings!

Randa Frye



6th
grade
graduates



Congratulations!