

## 2020 Team Schedule (as of Jan 1, 2020)

The Heights Church (Dallas Area) Youth team- Mar 8-13

The Heights Church (Dallas Area) Youth team- Mar 15-20

Four teams are planned this summer.

#### **Promise Home Partners:**

Agape Love Global Ministries – Mechanicsburg, IL

Anderson Mill Baptist Church – Austin, TX

First Baptist Church – Frisco, TX

First Baptist Church – Vincennes, IN

Frisco Sunrise Rotary Club – Frisco, TX

Heights Baptist Church – Richardson, TX

Koke Mill Church – Springfield, IL

North Texas Missions – Frisco, TX

My Church – Arizona

Pleasant Hope Baptist Church – Calhoun, KY

#### Dear Friends,

What a busy year 2019 has been. We had twelve teams visit Promise Home this year. What a blessing that has been for us and for our community.

We now have fourteen children at Promise Home. Two of our children were adopted in 2019. That was exciting for us to watch our children go to their forever home

In 2019, we completed half of the second casita.

In March, Bill and Connie Hayden moved to Promise Home to serve as full time missionaries.

We look forward to having many teams in 2020 and have much to do to expand God's reach within our community.

Be sure to look at our 2020 team schedule. To schedule a 2020 trip, please contact Bill Hayden at <u>bill.hayden@promisehome.org</u> to reserve your



#### **Prayer Requests**

Please pray for ...

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God's direction in all that we do in Honduras and in the U.S.

Pray for our children. We now have seven in a Pre K program.

Also pray for God's guidance in helping us with our residential children's ministries.

Favor upon our self-sustaining projects that the harvest will be plentiful in 2020.

### 2019 in review:

This year we were fortunate to have twelve teams visit Promise Home.

The first team arrived on January 2<sup>nd</sup> to build a fence around the garden area and a storage building for our tools and equipment. The team was from Kentucky and led by Jonathan Ayers.



In the second week of January, we had our second team from Kentucky led by Daniel Alvis. The team installed twelve raised beds in our garden area and painted the soffit and the outside walls on our second casita.



Since school starts back in February here in Honduras, the team wanted to give each child a backpack full of school supplies and a toy.



The day after Daniel's team returned to the US, we had a ministry couple from Los Angles visit Promise Home for two day. Jim and Ana Bice have a ministry called the Children's Lighthouse of Faith. The ministry is focused on protecting newborn children from abandonment and to invite all children to receive the love of Christ. For two days, Jim and Ana had a Good News Club's program for our After School Children.

After the second team left and completed the construction of the garden area, we had a team from the **First Baptist Church in Frisco** 



come to plant the garden. There are a lot of unknowns in planting a garden in Honduras if you are from Texas. Consequently, the team planted a variety of vegetables and some herbs.

In March, we had a **youth team from the Heights Church in Richardson, Texas** visit us.



It is always fun to have a youth team here. Lots of energy. Since the team was so large, we divided the team up into groups. One group painted the inside of the new casita and the outside of our administration building.



They painted the new garden shed, weeded the new garden and planted the rest of the garden area.



This summer, we were fortunate to have a team from the **Heights Church led by Alex Culp.** They built the steel structure for the hen house. Our plan is to have about 40 to 50 laying hens. This is all part of our plan to teach our children to be self-sufficient.



Ronnie Bivans, from the Dallas area, spent three weeks with us this summer. He worked diligently on several issues in the new casita and then started on the hen house. Ronnie enclosed the hen house and built nesting boxes for them. They will soon be filed with hay. I think that we are going to have some happy hens. (pictured next page)



Ronnie designed the hen house and built it so that the eggs can be removed from the outside of the house using the side doors. Again, this project is to not only supply food for Promise Home but to help teach the

children to be responsible.

Ronnie was also able to build the children's swing set. He designed and built a set that was stable and holds four children.



One of our newest projects involves **Connie and her work with the children**. With the use of iPads and DVD's, she is teaching the children dual use of English and Spanish. We know that in early age development, now is the time for them to learn a new language







In August we had a team from Branson, Missouri, led by Seth Koscheski. This team completed work on our hen house by enclosing the entire area so our chickens are protected from the varmints that would harm them. We are all ready for chickens!!!!



Also this summer, we had a team from Carrolton, Texas that was led by Cecilie Anders. These ladies and their older children spent time teaching and training our tias as well as other mothers about the nutrition needs of the children and methods available to stimulate their brains.





In October, we had two teams doing a variety of projects. The first team was from **Agape Love Global Ministries from Illinois and was led by Jim Murphy.** This team had a four day dental ministry for the children in our area and for our children as well. This was a great ministry because most people in our village cannot afford to go to the dentist. In order to put the children at ease with their dental work, the team did some face painting for them.





Our second team in October was from the Heights Church in Richardson, Texas, led by Kevin Sievert. The Heights team came loaded with extra boxes and suitcases filled with clothes and a large selection of educational materials for our children. We are always so thankful for teams that work together in the States to coordinate delivery of supplies and materials for the children.



# 2020

God has blessed Promise Home and its ministries this year. We are excited as we go into 2020.

When we complete the second casita we will be able to provide care for thirty-two children fufilling our commitment to provide for more abandoned and abused children here in Honduras and to transform our community through the gospel and through educational assistance for the children.

Thanks to all of you for your continued support and commitment to Promise Home.

Bill

