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January 2023 A Special Mission in Cosmul

In October of 2022, Allison and I had the privilege of meeting Nubia, a very special servant of the Lord. Nubia grew up in Cosmul, and she is now a teacher in Honduras. Her dream was always to open a private school for children in her own community. The public school that the children go to is a long way from the community. As a result, many children do not go to school. PEH has found this to be true in many communities and villages. In addition, Nubia said the public school that the children should go to is not very good. With a lot of commitment and dedication, as well as with her own personal finances, Nubia's dream of opening a school did happen. Last year, in addition to meeting Nubia, we saw where she was having classes. Each day, the children arrived to a building that looked like a barn with dirt floors and what I would describe as stalls. This is probably not the best description, but it is mine. Needless to say, it is not a building that I would ever want children to be when they are learning. When we entered the building, it was dark and gloomy. However, the love of this teacher for the children who were attending the schools was just overwhelming. With her own money, she had purchased desks and wipe-off boards for the classes. In addition, she was able to rent the building. As she told her story, there is no doubt that she has sacrificed and given so that the children in her community could get a good education. There is also no doubt that it is her faith that has brought her this far and that will carry her as she continues to seek God's will.

Nubia was looking for another place that would be more conducive to learning, and she eventually inquired about the building that Prayer Plan Missions owns and is located in Cosmul. The building was used for a private school before COVID. However, since the pandemic began, the building has remained. After much prayer and discussion by the board, Prayer Plan Missions agreed to renting the building to Nubia. Then, Project Education Honduras, Inc. came alongside PPM to commit to helping to clean the building and get it ready for the children.

On Monday, January 9th, Scott Randolph and I headed to Honduras to fulfill the commitment we made to God and PPM. The week was simply amazing, but it was a lot of hard work. We cleaned classrooms and helped with putting a new roof on the bathrooms. Walls were scraped for new paint, and floors, walls, and desks were wiped clean. Lots of trash was cleaned out of the classrooms, and Scott operated the "Honduran Paper Shredder" (a big ole' fire). Then, English books that are not going to be used by Nubia and her teachers were packed in boxes to send to Copan to bless teachers there. Another added blessing is eight sewing machines that were in the building that will go to Copan to bless the people there with whom we work. It was four days full of work and full of blessings.

As we left the school in Cosmul, there is still much to be done. However, the rest has been left in the hands of Nubia and her staff to complete. We cannot wait to see how the building looks when the children arrive for their first day of school. Please join us in praying for Nubia and her entire staff as they continue to provide a quality education to children in Cosmul. Also pray that God will continue to bless Nubia and her obedience to Him and also her love and dedication to the children in Honduras.

