Grace of Giving



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Casa Hogar Galilea ...

One of the many ways that Charles Knaack's Voice of Mexico Ministries reaches out to the people of Mexico is by helping to support children's homes. In November I was privileged to

join Charles and his wife, Reyna, on a trip to Monclova, Coahuila, Mexico (185)miles south of Del Rio), to visit one such home. Casa Hogar Galilea.



The children and staff at Casa Hogar Galilea in Monclova, Coah., Mexico

Your contributions to

Grace of Giving provide these children with a substantial portion of the food they require, together with over-the-counter medications and personal hygiene items.

God has blessed these children with a completely devoted "mother", Beatriz Franco Salazar. You only have to witness the interactions between Beatriz and her children for a few moments to see unconditional love in practice. This love, coupled with what is clearly a firm, consistent approach to discipline, is working wonders in these children's lives. They are neat,

friendly and w e l l - mannered and very respectful of Beatriz' authority.

What a wonderful opportunity we have to s h o w God's love by continuing to help

meet the needs of Casa Hogar Galilea! Please take time to pray specifically for these children (and others served by Voice of Mexico) that their needs would be met and that they would be showered by God's love.

For more information on how you can assist Voice of Mexico Ministries, please contact: Charles Knaack, P.O. Box 421266, Del Rio, TX 78842

Our Supporters ...

Special thanks goes to our very generous financial supporters! God bless you all for your gifts and prayers!

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Financial Stewardship ...

Grace of Giving is dedicated to being good and faithful stewards of the resources entrusted to us.

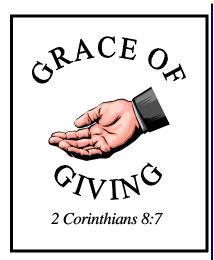
Cash contributions to Grace of Giving for the period October 15 through November 30, 2004, totaled \$1,342.50.

Expenditures from Grace of Giving funds during the same period (used solely to purchase beans, sugar, flour and masa) totaled \$1,442.20.

Grace of Giving's cash balance at November 30 is:

Beginning balance 106.26 Contributions 1,342.50 Expenditures (1,442.20) Ending balance \$6.56

All other project, administrative and travel expenses have been borne by the officers of Grace of Giving.



Grace of Giving

Clifton, TX 76634



Joan Wilson (L) & Elfi Register of Crossing Borders Ministries in Fabens, TX

Grace of Giving

Grace of Giving is a non-profit, charitable organization that is exempt from federal income tax as a 501(c)(3) organization.

Accordingly, the Internal Revenue Service has advised that all contributions to Grace of Giving may be deducted for federal income tax purposes as specified in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Officers

Greg Beard — President & Treasurer Dara Beard — Vice President Keith Blanton — Secretary

October/November Activities ...

Since the issuance of the previous newsletter on October 25, three trips have been made to deliver food, baby needs and personal hygiene items to the four ministries currently served by Grace of Giving. Total deliveries during these three trips were 22,920 pounds, distributed as follows:

- Bernie Segura, Evangelist (Van Horn, TX): 3,169 pounds.
- Crossing Borders Ministries (Fabens, TX): 5,262 pounds.
- Big Bend Baptist Church Food Pantry (Terlingua, TX): 8,410 pounds.
- Voice of Mexico Ministries (Del Rio, TX): 6,080 pounds.

To give you a flavor of the variety of commodities we deliver to these ministries, we thought a breakdown of these recent deliveries might be of interest.

Beans: 6,250 lbsRice: 8,900 lbs

Sugar: 974 lbsFlour: 970 lbsMasa: 723 lbs

• Dry food

(e.g., cereal): 2,011 lbs

Coffee/Oil/

Canned food:

Condiments: 161 bottles/jars

2.308 cans

Paper goods: 6 cases

• Baby items:

diapers: 10 packagesformula powder: 6 large cans

• Personal hygiene items:

toothpaste: 38 tubestoothbrushes: 19soap: 68 bars

- adult/feminine

products: 8.5 cases
- OTC medications: 14 bottles

In Memory ...

Grace of Giving was blessed with the following gifts in November:

- From the Adult II Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church, Clifton, in memory of Burton Williams, older brother of FBC member Ben Williams.
- From Anna Compton, in memory of Betty Plemons, wife and mother of FBC members Gene Plemons and Jan Woosley.

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We are honored to be able to serve others in God's name as well as in memory of these loved ones.

Our Needs ...

Thank you for your prayerful support of Grace of Giving. Please continue to pray that we will glorify God in all of our activities.

Commodity prices have increased substantially in recent months (for example, beans have increased in price 38% to nearly 41¢ per pound), and we now also deliver additional items to meet the needs of our "clients". As a result, it cost a total of \$7,200 to purchase the food and personal items for the three recent delivery trips set out above. As noted under **Financial Stewardship**, contributions for the period October 15 through November 30 totaled 1,342.50, resulting in a deficit of in excess of \$5,850.

Please prayerfully consider whether you can financially support Grace of Giving's ministry on a monthly basis and help us to eliminate this deficit.

Our priorities for using your gifts are to purchase food and to purchase fuel to deliver the food. The officers of Grace of Giving accept no compensation for their services and currently cover all of their travel expenses.

Thank you again for your support, and we look forward to working with you on an ongoing basis in serving our Lord!