

Children of the Light News

Niños de la Luz

Providing LOVE and HOPE to the
homeless children of Honduras

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Our Mission

The mission of Children of the Light, Inc. (COTL) is to provide LOVE and HOPE to the homeless street children of Honduras. COTL will provide the Honduran children with an alternative to life on the streets, showing by way of words and deeds the love, mercy and compassion of God.



COTL sees drug addiction as a significant problem in Honduras and one of its goals is to help the children of Honduras to resist the temptation of drugs and care for the already addicted.

One method COTL will use to reach this goal is to provide a clean and safe haven for the children to go as an alternative to living on the streets.

By providing shelter, food and spiritual guidance, we hope to provide a family atmosphere where children can live and receive an education through the attention and love of caring workers. Our goal is to help the needy children become productive citizens. COTL's goal is to work with the whole person, body, mind, and soul.

Blessed 2011

Our desire and wish this year is to have a wonderful new year for the Children of the Light/Niños de la Luz family.

We want to dedicate this Newsletter to celebrate the life of our dear North-American son **BRANDON COOK**, he left us to go with our Heavenly Father. This unique young man stole our hearts and shared his humbleness by being a servant to whoever needed it, just as Christ called us to do.

He left a big empty space in our hearts and lives, but more than that he left many wonderful memories and showed us his tender heart, hidden in a tough, muscular handsome exterior. What a fighter he was!!

Our boys loved him as a brother and wanted to be just like him! Anytime he visited he would make special time to share with them, play, talk, and work together. He always shared his passion for math and other subjects, what an inspiration for our boys.

In 2009 he came and spent his summer vacation with us! Brandon and his friend Anthony painted the playroom, as well as the house of the community's grandmother. It was such a blessing to have him live with Bill and I for that much time.

One morning he prepared the best breakfast I have ever had!!! Bill and I felt very privileged to have this sweet tough guy making a big variety of breakfast dishes.

Our dear Brandon will be always missed. Te amo hijo!!



**WILL YOU SPONSOR A CHILD?
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Your sponsorship will provide hope for children of Honduras who have been rescued from abuse, abandonment and life on the street. The children need *your* help.

Our commitment to help your sponsored child is what encourages the boys at Children of the Light to continue moving forward in the program. When you sponsor a child we will send you a photo of the child and information about them. This new hope motivates kids to look to the future, to set goals and to persevere.

Sponsorship covers the costs of school; \$35 per month for public and \$65 for private. Additional amounts will cover other costs such as food, clothing, and housing.



Luke 23:43

Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

Dear Father help us to be a good example for our boys and anybody around us, fill our hearts with love, compassion, mercy, patience, and self control. Give us the wisdom to be followers of Christ our Savior.

Thank you Lord for allowing us to be a part of your family. Thank you for your forgiveness and your passion to protect us even when we do not deserve it.

Dear Lord, embrace the Cook family in your loving arms and fill them up with your love and strength.

AMEN!!



Prayer Needs

- Please continue to pray for our dear friends, The Cooks.
- Pray for more funds to come to continue to work on the new dorm.
- Pray for monthly permanent support.
- Pray for funds to cover the taxes and shipment of a van for transportation.
- Always pray for our boys, staff, the Erbs, volunteers and Bill & Mary.
- Pray for our school & students.
- Pray for Armenia Bonito and its surroundings.

To make your tax deductible support or sponsorship please mail your check and make it payable to 'Children of the Light, Inc'

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