# HAPPENINGS IN HONDURAS

The Little Hands, Big Hearts Foundation







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## **Notes from the Chair**

Ken Vielmette, Chair

Dear Friends,

As we end 2023, I am filled with gratitude for God's provision and care for Little Hands, Big Hearts. Thanks to the generosity of donors and prayer partners like you, we have continued our ministry to families of Honduran children with special needs. You made it possible for even the poorest families to keep their children, despite their disabilities, and even more, provided the resources to help them thrive! Through your generosity, you also helped us accomplish some major milestones this past year: - We promoted our talented and enthusiastic head teacher, Erica, to co-director.

- We installed a new well, which provides year-round water supply in an area that regularly experiences periods of no available water during dry summer months.

- We hosted several short-term mission teams who made a lasting difference with community projects.

- We purchased a 4x4 vehicle to bring resources to difficult-to-reach remote families.

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Looking forward to 2024, our core mission is unchanged. Will you join us in prayer for these? - Spiritual impact, via our on-site evangelist: to spread the gospel, to minister to the families we serve and our staff, and to strengthen the local Honduran churches.

- Developmentally appropriate special-needs education, life skill training and vocational training to help Honduran children with developmental disabilities reach their full potential.

- Resources for Honduran children with physical disabilities, including on-site physical therapy to help build strength and mobility.

- Medical care via our onsite nurse and medical room

- Vitamins, rice and beans to improve the health and nutrition of those who are most in need.

We cannot accomplish any of this without your ongoing support. For our faithful monthly donors, as inflation rises in Honduras, would you consider increasing your gift to match it? Or, if you are not currently a donor, would you become a donor today? One-time gifts are always appreciated; and, monthly donations ensure our services are sustainable. Giving is easy - you can mail us a check using the enclosed envelope, you can donate online via littlehandsbigheartsmission.org or via the QR code on the last page of this newsletter.

Every one of our US support personnel serves in a fully 100% volunteer capacity; so you can trust that, as much as possible, your money goes directly to the children of Honduras who struggle with special needs. The current favorable exchange rates allow us to make the most of every dollar given. The money you donate truly does change (and sometimes save) lives.

James 1:27 – "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

Hebrews 6:10 - "For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints..."

Thank you for furthering Christ's kingdom through your generosity and may God richly bless you in 2024!

~Ken Vielmette

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## **The Year in Pictures**







































## **Directors Report -**

Erika Garcia - Co-director

I am Erika Garcia, the new Co-Director of Little Hands, Big Hearts in Trujillo, Honduras.

For me, it is a privilege to be able to share with you this new experience in my professional life. I am licensed in the Educational Science of Pedagogy - the method and practice of teaching.

I look forward to working together with the rest of the staff to foster trust and open communication since they are the fundamental pillars of the work we do. Above all we remain committed to the mission of LHBH and will strive to achieve our goals set for this year.

In my new role. I aim to continue motivating my teammates and exploring new strategies together. With God's strength we will make great strides helping the families and children that God has brought to us. Many thanks to you for putting your trust in me.

Blessings.

Erika Garcia





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