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## **Briarwood Christian School Student Missions**

## **Summary Report 2001-Present**

"To think God would use BCS as an instrument by which He would bring honor, glory, and praise to Himself and allow us to be close enough to watch Him work evokes awe and worship!"

**Anonymous** 

Selected passages from Psalms provide the context for this Summary Report about God's grace to and through BCSSM:

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to your name, O Most High. . . ." Psalm 92:1

"Come and see what God has done; He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man." Psalm 66:5

Twenty-seven BCSSM outreach initiatives since 2001 have been instruments of blessings that evoke thanksgiving to the Lord. The following facts give a brief overview of the impact and value of BCSSM and the locations of our ministry:

Peronia, Guatemala: 2001 to a Christian School and Church

**Huehuetenango, Guatemala:** 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 to a Christian School and Church

Comas, Peru: 2004, 2005, and 2006 to a Christian School and Church

**Cedro Galan, Nicaragua:** 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 to a Christian School and several Churches

**Monjas, Guatemala:** 2007 and 2008 to The Shadow of His Wings Orphanage and the Monjas community

- 946 Participants (Students, parents, Alumni, faulty, staff, friends)
- 2,261 Decisions for Christ
- **2,755** Persons have received Dental Care
- 12,321 Persons have received Eye Exams and/or were provided glasses
- 23,501 Individuals have received Medical Care from licensed physicians
- 23,429 Individuals have received medicine through pharmacy services
- **6,310** children have been taught, loved, and encouraged through ministry
- 306 teachers have been encouraged, affirmed, and provided professional training

Missionaries in each location have been supported, affirmed and encouraged!

Construction initiatives include several school classroom additions at schools, help in building an administration building, painting classrooms, digging a foundation for a Church, helping to develop a playground, help with preparing the foundation for a Pastor's home, and many other examples of construction support, and providing financial support for student scholarships and construction for Christian schools.

Various kinds of equipment and supplies such as student desks, school supplies, technology, playground equipment, and school library support have been given through BCSSM Outreach.

The witness of the missions teams working to help poor people in rural villages has had meaningful influence on many people. We believe God will also use the deeds of mercy and love to impact many hearts. Our goal is to implement short-term missions in ways that have long-term impact on those served and those serving! We are trusting God to expand support of missions in churches in the future because of the vision for missions BCSSM participants gain from their experiences.

## **Intangible Impact and Influence**

Student, faculty, staff, parent, and grandparent participation in BCSSM has enriched BCS culture. Relationships among participants have also been enhanced from the shared experiences through BCSSM. Participating in short term missions and witnessing God's Spirit at work in Third World environments have evoked transformation in perspective, values, and gratitude in the lives of virtually all BCSSM participants.

## **Prayer Requests**

- Continued leadership for BCSSM Outreach
- Continued participation in global outreach from students, parents, alumni, faculty, and staff
- Ministry sites that provide wonderful outreach opportunities to meet spiritual and other needs of people
- Safety as we travel and serve in cross cultural environments
- Thanksgiving for God's grace to and through BCSSM

Short-term missions initiatives have long-term impact.

Please visit the website for information about BCSSM Initiatives at www.briarwoodchristianschool.org/missions/