



MCCA Newsletter

MEXICAN CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S AID

April 2015

Serving needy children for over 50 years

And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me. Matt 18:5 NIV

Recent Trip Report



Loading chicken at El Florido

The March and April trips have gone very well. The inspection process at the border has gone well, and we're usually on our way with minimal delay. In the meantime, six trucks have already crossed the border

empty and are beginning the loading process at the El Florido market in Otay Mesa, Baja California, Mexico, where we purchase flour, frozen chicken, and eggs for the various routes. Two of the six trucks have gone to another Mercado to purchase the oats and powdered milk that are not available at El Florido. In some months our order at the Mercado has not been ready, but that has not been the case on the last couple of trips due in part to one of our newest members, Jaime Jaime.

Jaime, a resident of Palm Desert, CA, grew up in Tijuana and is a licensed attorney in Mexico. Jaime knows how to get things done in Mexico. His knowledge of Mexico has been a great blessing in expediting the readiness of our order at the Mercado. Be sure to read the prayer requests in this newsletter.

The directors at the various ministries we visit continue to express their gratitude for the provisions we bring each month. Our donors are helping to save souls and build up treasures in Heaven because of their generosity. The border wait times remain minimal, under an hour, but long enough for us to reflect on the day spent serving the Lord and seeing his love for the children. We continue to thank God for all the safe travels and the ability to continue serving the children in Mexico.

Provident Bank Community Partnership

At the March board meeting, Marina Guadarrama, Branch Vice President of Provident Bank in Redlands, once again presented MCCA a check from their Community Partnership Program. Provident Bank in Redlands has been supporting us for many years with a program that links depositors' accounts to MCCA or other charities, and Provident Bank then makes a donation to that non-profit organization. Provident's web site is:

<http://www.myprovident.com/businesscommunitypartner.asp> or contact Marina at the Redlands branch, 909-793-2992.

Once again, thank you, Marina, and thank you, Provident Bank!

Mount of Olives



Mount of Olives (MoO) Children's Village is the second ministry we began supporting in 2015. The Children's Village is located in rural Uruapan, Baja, California, and is operated by Missions

Network International (MNI), a Christian, inter-denominational, non-profit 501(c)(3). The sole ministry of Missions Network International is their work in northern Baja California. The headquarters is in Lynden, Washington, with offices in Canada and Mexico.

MoO got its start when a group from state of Washington heeded God's call in 2000 to serve Him in northern Baja. Through the years this has grown into a "children's village" that is home to 24 children ranging in age from 7-18 years. Two of the onsite directors are Darrell and Maureen Graham, who are also the founders of the Children's Village.



Mount of Olives Children's Village is operated in a family environment complete with Mexican national house parents, the children are provided with an education and instruction on Christian principles, skills to develop healthy relationships, healthcare, proper hygiene, and nutrition to help foster their God given potential. Their goal is to allow our children to grow into happy, healthy and productive adults.

Mount of Olives Children's Village has its very own Racing Team, MOOCH Racing (Mount of Olives Casa Hogar) headed up by Art Penner. This car is participating in the Baja 500 to raise funds to build a new recreation area at MoO. Please see www.startsomegood.com/canchaparalosninios for information about this fundraiser.



More information can be found on the MNI web page at: <http://www.missions-network.org/> and on the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MountofOlivesChildrensVillage>

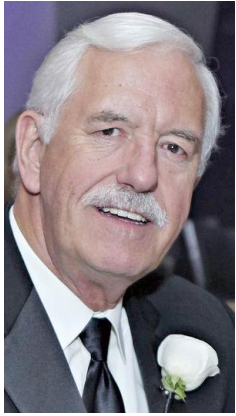
Mission

Mexican Christian Children's Aid is a charitable corporation founded in 1964 by a group of Christian businesspersons concerned over the sharp contrast between the wasteful affluence of U.S. society and the abject poverty found so close to our borders. MCCA is dedicated to helping needy children in Baja California, Mexico, by providing food and other assistance to local Christian organizations. At least 97% of all funds are used for food, Bibles, and other aid provided directly to orphanages and other Christian organizations in Mexico.

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Ray Hooper



Ray Hooper went home to be with the Lord on March 1, 2015.

Ray was born in Lakewood, California, on December 13, 1942. He moved to the Yucaipa/Calimesa area in 1973 and lived there until his time on this earth was over.

His memorial service was held on Friday, March 12, 2015, at the First Baptist Church of Yucaipa, California. As was evident to the large gathering to celebrate his life, Ray had a full life and was a blessing to many people.

Ray lived out his faith by his actions: loving his wonderful family, being involved with his many friends, and pursuing ministry activity. Overall, his life was full of being there for people in his tireless service to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We only knew Ray for a handful of years through his involvement with MCCA's ministry; but during the time we knew

him, we were blessed with his constant smile, encouragement, and the way he helped in any way he could.

He rode along with various drivers on both the monthly trips to Mexico and the additional trips to Chula Vista to deliver products to the various ministries we serve. He served as an MCCA board member and officer during his active time with us. Additionally, he was instrumental in facilitating individual and organizational financial partnerships with MCCA in support of our ministry to the children of Baja California, Mexico.

Ray is survived by his lovely wife, Jackie, and their three sons and their families – Jeff and Debbie, Andy and Lisa, Mike and Jen – and his grandchildren, Aislinn, MacKensie, Madeline, and Owen. He was very proud of all of them.

We will miss you, Ray, on this side of heaven, but you have been an encouragement and example for us all to follow in our service to each other, young and old, as we serve Christ

A reminder

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Yes. We recently found out about Amazon Smile. It's a program that allows purchasers to link a charity to their Amazon profile, and the charity will receive a contribution from Amazon. There is no extra expense; it's a way for Amazon to give back to the community. MCCA is one of the charities you can choose to support. If you're an Amazon customer, be sure to check this out

Never forgotten.

We received many donations to honor the memory of Ray Hooper. Michael and Christine Gillespie; Sandra Pyle; Denver and Marilyn Reeves; Daniel and Carol Ward all wanted to honor Ray with a gift to MCCA.

Additionally William and Jacqueline Dangi made a donation in the name of Gerhard Medema.

Prayer requests

Jaime Jaime has arranged a meeting between MCCA board members and Brenda Ruacho de Vega, the wife of Baja's current governor, Francisco "Kiko" Vega de Lamadrid. Part of the duties of the governor's is wife assuming leadership of DIF, the Mexican agency that oversees the orphanages in Baja California. Jaime grew up with the governor, and it is our hope that he can convince the governor's office to support our efforts and allow us to take fresh produce and other products we have available across the border. The meeting is scheduled for May 6th at 11:00am. Please pray for a favorable outcome from this meeting and, if we get the approval, that the Lord will bring more trucks and drivers to deliver these products.

2015 MCCA upcoming trips May 9, Jun 6, Jul 11,

If anyone gives a cup of cold water to these little ones because he is My disciple, I tell you the truth; he will certainly not lose his reward. Matthew 10:42