



Caminando Por La Paz

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Our biggest news for the Quarter



Caminando Por La Paz is the Mission Program in Guatemala that is supported by the Non-Profit program of Misioneros De Padre Tomas.

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President: Karla Gonzales  
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We received a wonderful donation that has permitted us to purchase a mini-bus . It will solve many of our transportation problems



We have begun work with Shoes to the World. We will have our forth distribution sometime this year

We appreciate all thre wonderful assistance of all our supporters.

## Another bad side effect of the pandemic



While on a recent visit to the program I learned that this coming school year 2022 we will have a few less students being supported in K-12., What will happen in our tutoring program ? At the start of the Covid crisis had between 65 and 80 students attending our tutoring program is unknown.

We believe the main reason for this drop in our neighborhood is consistent with that of a private school in Antigua Guatemala. SEL, the school some of you have visited in the past was serving approximately 170 students each academic year; this year they have only 100 students. In talking with the school's director I was advised concerning the drop in attendance: The main reasons seem to be first and foremost, the families need these children to work and contribute to the overall financial needs of their families. Unfortunately he was talking about kids 10 or 12 years old and even more so those 14 or 15. Adding to this problem is the realization that much of their work is both illegal and dangerous such as carpentry, delivery of food from restaurants, driving those golf cart like vehicles etc.

Of course an additional problem is the price of attending school . Paying not only for registration but also books, school supplies, uniforms, etc. SEL is doing what it can and has reduced the uniform to merely a polo shirt with school logo on it.

While the above information is based on my personal interview with the school's director I have been assured that the problem is the same for those we support. In fact throughout Guatemala. I



What can we do to alleviate the problems that will arise if there is a large deficit in student participation; especially in a country like Guatemala when third or fourth grade is the average term of educational effort?

# Our Reorganization Effort is Underway

The dual purposes of reorganization are: (1) To assure the continuance and growth of Caminando Por La Paz beyond the tenure of the current board members. (2) To enhance the value of our 501(3) © by the addition of talented individuals. People who contribute their talent towards improving the methods and activities of the program.

With the help of generous volunteers it is my intention to continue as long as possible with the program

## AREAS WHERE VOLUNTEERS MIGHT PARTICIPATE



Our coffee project could use help in many ways. (1) communication with the growers. (2) contact with the roaster (Copan Trade in Tom Ball, Texas) (3) sales (4) publishing the product, etc.



Working with the program in Guatemala.

Especially in production of our quarterly E-news efforts. Information and photos can be obtained directly from the program. Offering advice without placing demands on the program.

Visitors are always welcomed at the program

The program in Guatemala is manned by very capable individuals. They can continue their various educational, community service, spiritual program, with local talent.

What they need from our end is the funds to provide the tools for all their programs.



Also other current and future needs exist!

Contact us at: [rocovey@yahoo.com](mailto:rocovey@yahoo.com). Your help will be greatly appreciated

# Coffee Up-date



February /March each year is the time the Honduran Coffee beans are harvested for transport to our Roaster.

Our framers have taken this year's purchase the beneficio in Santa Rosa.

The coffee is now on its way to our Roaster. Copan Coffee Roasters in Tom Ball, Texas

We have long been concerned with the rapidly increasing shipping coast. We generally shup in the US Post Office "if it fits it ships" boxes. Our customers are generally unaware of how many pound bsgs fit in any of the three size boxes. We are now considering increasing the cost of our coffee but providing free shipping. In order to do this we would need to increase the price per pound but perhaps reduce the overall cost of our coffee.

At this time we are asking for your feed back before we make our decision. Please tell us at :

[rocovey@yahoo.com](mailto:rocovey@yahoo.com)



# Meditation

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD is my keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Psalm 121 (King James Version)



Meditation Question:

Do I truly feel the protection of the LORD?

## You can be a part of our mission

Your prayers are an important element. They are what makes it possible for us to meet our goals.

Your purchase of our [Family Coffee](#) supports our efforts in Guatemala City

Send a TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION to:

Caminando Por La Paz to:

Post Office Box 1583  
New Caney, Texas,  
77357



Students in our library class room. Prior to the

You can donate at:

[Fathertomsmmission.org](http://Fathertomsmmission.org)

Forward our notices on your social Media

We appreciate all you do for our program