

Dear Friends

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*“Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.” 1 Timothy 6:17*

Friends,

Greetings in the wonderful Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! I am excited to report that at the writing of this letter 2 containers make their way to Costa Rica! Once again, God has done the impossible in a way that we could not have imagined. Praisalujah!!!

For many years we dreamt of sending materials from the US in a container. Purchasing items in the US represented a 50% (minimum) savings over every item we use at camp. We hosted a few home groups and a banquet in November 2017 to raise awareness for the project. Both events helped us to connect with many wonderful people, but it didn't give us the financial boost we needed to pull off such a huge endeavor. We continued to put the needs before our generous Lord and waited for His timing.

That timing came at a small men's group meeting at a Chick-fil-A restaurant in Ventura. One of the group members had a connection at the Hueneme port with the Del Monte Corporation. That connection led to another one that got us the confirmation from Del Monte that they would ship our 2 containers with them at no cost to LAMA! This generous offering gave us the green light we were waiting for! We shifted into purchase mode! When the dust settled, we had managed to pack 2 containers with over 2200 boxes containing equipment and materials for all of the camp departments and a Backhoe donated by Creekside Community Church in Alamo. Miraculous!

What is your dream? What has the Lord laid on your heart? Dreams can only become reality when you move forward by faith knowing that the One who leads always provides. Every time we at LAMA have been called to act on a dream, we have had to move forward by faith and not by sight. When the Lord confirmed the timing to build the camp, He did it when we didn't have any land or money in the bank. Today, the campus sits on 650 acres of property with 3 separate camp facilities, a capacity for 600 kids and millions of dollars of infrastructure! And I should mention, with zero debt! That's how God continues to do it for us and that is how He will do it for you! Friends, step out and trust the One who own the cattle on a thousand hills!

Thank you for your gifts and prayers. Your generous donations toward this project saved the camp tens of thousands of dollars that can now be used to generate more possibilities for more kids to come to camp. Each of our staff and every project we move on is funded and prayed over by a faithful army of generous friends. You are all the unsung heroes of this ministry! May the Lord richly bless you, dear friends!

For the youth of Latin America,

Joe Pent  
Executive Director

p.s. We are already planning on sending containers every 2 years so stay tuned for future opportunities to become involved in this amazing project! **You can still help us cover a small deficit in this project** due to the import taxes and fees that we still need to pay this month. THANK YOU!!