



The Day the Sadness Left Her Eyes
One Little Girl. One Quiet Yes. One Life Changed.



Dear Friends and Partners,

I want to tell you about a little girl named Candy. She had come to our Bible Club before, but the last time I saw her, something was different. She was unusually quiet — and when I looked into her eyes, I saw a sadness that no child should have to carry.

Her mother had left for America, leaving Candy and her brothers behind. They were living on their own, without either parent. My heart broke for her. I asked if she would like to invite Jesus into her heart. She looked at me and said, quietly, "Yes."

What happened next I will never forget. The sadness lifted. Over the following weeks, I watched her laugh again, play with the other children, and come eagerly to our after-school program. Jesus had met her exactly where she was.

Then one day, Candy was gone.

The house was empty. The other children told me her mother had sent for her — they had been experiencing harassment and had left for America. I stood at that empty house and prayed that God would go with her — that she would remember she had said yes to the One who never leaves.



Candy's story is not unique. Every week I meet children carrying burdens that belong on grown shoulders, not small ones. That is why we keep going — one child, one

family, one village at a time.

One of our deepest dreams is to build a Daycare Center — a safe place where children can learn, eat a warm meal, and hear that they are loved by God. By His grace, we have raised \$15,000 toward our ~~\$250,000~~ goal.

Will you help us build a place where the next Candy can always find someone waiting for her?

GIVE HOPE TO A CHILD

Please pray with me for:

- Candy and her family — protection, and that the seed planted in her heart will grow
- The children and families I carry in my heart from a distance
- Our ministry vehicle — undrivable for months; trusting God to provide a solution
- Laborers to join us in reaching Indigenous children and families
- Safety and protection for everyone in the village and surrounding areas
- Provision and wisdom as we continue planning and preparing for the Day Care construction
- Monthly Expenses including Utilities, Grounds Keeper and Housekeeper
- Building Maintenance: Outdoor walls paint is peeling, lots of humidity in all rooms, door locks rusted.
- New Refrigerator
- A/C units in the house, dorms and church building

Together we can bring hope, safety, and the love of God to this community.

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Thank you for standing with Bridge To The Nations. Your faithfulness is bringing hope, dignity, and the love of Jesus to children who need it most.

With gratitude and love,

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