



# January Highlights! JustHope

Creating global partnerships, combating poverty, nurturing sustainable community... February 20, 2013

### Help Fulfill Dreams

What is your favorite JustHope PartnerProject?

**Health? Enterprise? Education?** 



#### What's Needed in Nicaragua

Music lovers and hard workers!

The JustHope-United Church of the Valley annual Music Camp in Chacraseca will take place June 21 - July 2 (more info)
And we need more people!



Half the team will make music with a group of 30 children and youth (including singing, playing recorders, drums, guitars, marimbas) and the other half will build a house. Email us if you're interested or have questions.

The women of Santa Emilia continue to struggle and overcome the challenges of living in poverty. Old challenges- scraping together enough funds to buy school supplies for a child or put tonight's dinner on the table...

New challenges- a decrease in



available jobs in their community, again... But these women are alive with that stubborn hope that will not stop. And they continue on, struggling, hoping, and overcoming.



Our friends, the Lopez family, opened their home to us and took pieces of our hearts, to keep. As we worked alongside them, building a shop for their beautiful artwork, we shared our lives, increased cultural understanding, and strengthened our friendships and partnership!



The Solidarity Summit, in which US and Nicaraguan partners gathered with community leaders to consider more effective ways of working together, was a perfect opportunity for the groups from the United States and the Pastoral Committee of Chacraseca to all learn from one another. All of our differences, which so often make our working together challenging, are also a beautiful reminder of the gifts and experiences we ALL have to gain in working together, leaning toward mutuality and sustainable community.

#### 2013 PartnerTrips

March 15-22 to Santa Emilia & La Flor with St. Andrew's, Champagne,

**April 13-21** to Chacraseca with Ktizo UCC. Phoenix, AZ

May 17-25 Join a group of nursing students from Tulsa Community College on a Service-Learning trip

May 19-26 Join a group of dental hygiene students from Tulsa Community College on a Service-Learning trip.

May 25- June 2 Join a group of medical students on a Service-Learning trip to Chacraseca, Santa Emilia, and La Flor.

June 1-8 Join the Board and their families on a "come and see" trip.

June 21-July 2 to Chacraseca for Music Camp with UCV, Murrieta, CA

June 30-July 6 Join Resurrection Church- Tulsa & DCC- Bartlesville in Chacraseca.

July 20-28 Join a group of medical students on a Service-Learning trip to Chacraseca, Santa Emilia, and La Flor.

December? Join a group of audiovisual students and psychology students as they travel through Nicaragua.

<u>Click here</u> for more information on any of these trips. And feel free to email us with any questions!

Click here to read some reflections of our travelers.

We can help you or your group find or create a PartnerTrip that meets your needs!

**EMAIL US** 



The women of Stitching Hope held their official Grand Opening!





It was a lovely celebration of art and community. These women are doing an amazing job of learning new business and management skills, working diligently to achieve schedule and production goals, and overcoming new hurdles everyday!

## "Be a Sustaining Partner"

We can do far more **together** than any of us can do alone!



As little as \$10 each month can make a huge difference in JustHope's work- creating global partnerships, combating poverty, and nurturing sustainable community.

Your monthly donation is a guarantee of regular and predictable funds, which allows us to plan ahead effectively and

commit to the long-term with our partners in Nicaragua.

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