

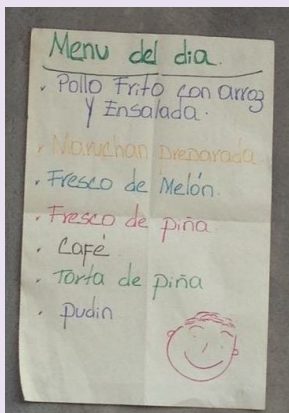


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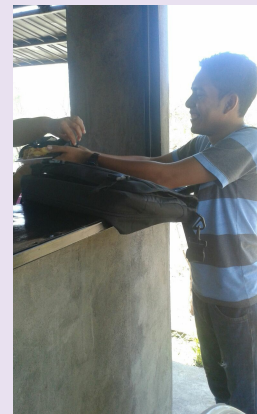
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It was a fairly typical opening day at the Sonando Juntos Cafetin (Dreaming Together Mini Cafe) -- a few kinks but lots of promise of things to come!



We forgot to buy paper plates and cups so we could sell food to go (not a good thing when it's a quick-food restaurant)... and a few little things didn't work the way we had planned... and the wind kept blowing down the paper menu.

But lots of people stopped to see what it was all about and promised to come back another day! We sold a ton of good, strong coffee (even though it's 95 degrees here) and lots of homemade cold drinks! Two truckers stopped to order food to pick up the next day, and five customers actually sat and ate a full meal - fried chicken!



We are off to a great start and looking forward to growing a strong and steady business! We hope you'll plan to stop for lunch next time you are in Chacraseca, Nicaragua!

The Cafetin is part of the Business Plan for the women-owned and managed Ferreteria (Hardware Store) we opened five years ago. The Ferreteria rents the space and

equipment to women in the community, who then cook and sell different kinds of food. The community has a meal when they can't be at home; women have some extra income; and the Ferreteria has one more "branch" on its "sustainability tree!" Everyone wins!



A Stitching Hope scarf made it all the way to the Great Wall of China!

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