

Caminando Por La Paz

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Guatemala meets the Pandemic



People with needs continue to be seen with white flags along the road.

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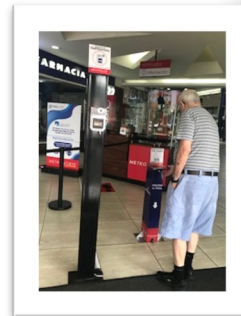
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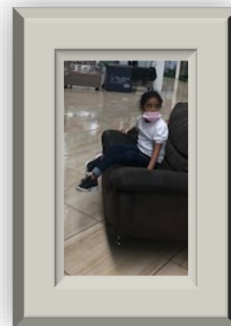
Wear a mask in public



There are sanitation stations at the entry to many stores



Most malls have one-way



The rules apply to everyone

WE ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE AND THANKFUL FOR ALL THE FINANCIAL AND PHYSICAL SUPPORT WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM SO MANY WONDERFUL PEOPLE. THANK YOU BEYOND MEASURE.

How is the pandemic effecting Guatemala and the program at Caminando Por La Paz

As you may know from our previous news items; the program has changed focus to meet the challenges of Covid-19. During the past 18 months we have been focused on providing food to the multitude of neighbors who have suffered greatly because of Covid. The program tutoring area is far too small for social distancing of the upwards to 75 students who would come during a weeks time. Our only realistic solution to this has been to provide internet classes for our kids. We have done very little tutoring at the house. Occasionally few come for one on one or two or three at a time. Mostly this has been adults in computer skills learning. Thus at times we have been able to provide one on one educational assistance to those in greatest need.

Caminando as well as the rest of

Guatemala is patiently awaiting a return to normal and planning for recovery actions.

Everyday we see new ideas concerning this in the news papers. Especially when will vaccination become available to the major portion of the population. We are in our group meetings exploring ideas for improving the Caminando program as we move forward.

Here in our news letter we have presented some photos of the various components of the local Covid protocol. When I mentioned to people in the program home that people were indeed aware and taking all necessary precautions they told me yes in the cities and highly populated areas but unfortunately otherwise not very much. On a recent trip to Honduras I quickly verified this. The reality may be that not only Covid itself but lack of education may well be a factor.



One of our past favorite actives was our shoe distribution days. We were able to present shoes to over 100 neighbors. This was done by cooperation with "Shoes to the World" Another non profit. We have been reaching out to them asking for another distribution.

Learn about them on their website:

www.shoestotheworld.com

Coffee Up-date



Once coffee cherries have been harvested and depulped (outer skin of berry removed) they are dried.

Our market share seems to be stable at the present time. We are working on a YouTube video and other ways' to improve sales opportunities . It has always been a small problem to promptly fill orders when our sales representee is out of town. It is very difficult to provide an alternative sales person with sufficient supply of each of our processed styles. Our roaster has now agreed to roast to order and forward our coffee orders when necessary.

We are extremely grateful to our roaster (Copan Coffee Roaster's) They have been a great help in shipping received donations for our program (Caminando Por La Paz).

A few of the children at Caminando Por La Paz. The program supported when you purchase family Coffee.



A more modern method of drying the coffee beans is the solar dryer.

These driers are very similar to green houses. The insides contain shelving where coffee beans are placed to dry.

It is an improved method that allows for a better flavored and quality of coffee.



Meditation

Lord I am here to thank you for my life.

For calling me to be an instrument to make a difference wherever I am

Lord open my ears so I can listen in silence and thus be able to hear the needs of my sisters and brothers

Lord give me the strength to never give up even if darkness appears

Perhaps it is only me to start, but you are with me.

Lord give me the strength to continue to be an instrument that listens, gives hope and accomplishment

Thank you lord because through service you fill me with joy.

Be my partner, my guide, my everything.

Amen

Covid-19 is certainly a major problem of the present time. Another is the crisis at the boarder, and most of us do not even think of illegal immigration as a world wide problem. But, it is! How you may feel about it, what ever your attitude is that's your own response.

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**Immigration should be enforced
in a proportional and humane
manner.**

Roger Mahony

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