

"Reaching the WORLD with the GOSPEL OF CHRIST through the local CHURCH"

# Abner, Alisson and Ian Andrés

## **Ministering in Honduras**



### A Lesson in Authentic Generosity

On one of our recent visits to the rural school in Los Alpes, we met little Kristen, a very cheerful and participatory girl. She was very attentive during the presentation of the Bible lesson. After the lesson, Alisson began to give first grade children dental care. Kristen was captivated watching the dental cleaning procedure. When it was about to be her turn, she approached me, put her hand in the bag of her shirt and realized that she had two lempiras. What the little girl did next really moved me. Kristen took a lempira and gave it to me. I asked her, "Why do you give me this?" She replied, "Because I want to share it with you." What a great gesture of generosity! The little girl did not give me what was left over or something I did not want, she shared with me half of her limited resources. Kristen gave me a true lesson of authentic generosity, and blessed me not for the amount she gave me, but for her sincere and spontaneous gesture. When we serve we think we are giving something to someone else; but that day, God showed me that He had much more to give me.

#### An Extra Tooth, an Extra Blessing



Some time ago we met little Josseline, she is a first grade student at the School of the Alps. Ever since we first saw her she caught our attention. She appears very young for a girl her age. Although she is 8 years old, for different reasons she has not achieved the expected growth. Alisson applied fluoride to all the first-grade children and it was noted that the little girl had an extra, or supernumerary

tooth. This tooth caused the rest of her teeth not to take the normal position. We

approached the teacher and asked her if we could talk to Josseline's mother to learn a little more about her situation, since surgery was necessary. When we talked to the mother, we realized that they could not pay for the treatment of their daughter. We invited them to visit the community dental clinic, where after doing some x-rays, Alisson performed the surgery. Josseline was very calm during the procedure and did not complain at all. Although we did not receive a payment for this treatment, we received an extra blessing, remembering that "he who gives to the poor lends to God." Let's not get tired of serving and helping others. By focusing on ourselves we become selfish and indifferent; and worse, we lose the great blessing of being the hands of God that extend to help the needy.



# Abner's teaching and pastoral ministry







### **Reasons for gratitude**

- We thank God for his permanent care for us. He keeps us every time we travel to minister to different places.
- We thank God for the life of Ian Andrés. He is in First Grade and has finished his first exams successfully and is on the honor roll.



- We thank God for the support of brothers for the community dental clinic. Many people are benefited by this ministry.
- We thank God for the opportunity to serve through the Mobile Bible Institute; we

are reaching new pastors and leaders in El Tomate and Santa Rosa de Copán.

 We thank God for the ministry of preaching and teaching to the young people and others in the church in The Alps. We travel twice a week to be with them and support them.

#### **Prayer Requests**

- For our health so that God keeps us healthy to fulfill our ministry.
- For our travels so that God always takes care of us and protects us from all danger.
- For the community of Los Alpes, so that we can impact this small community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- For the Mobile Library project, we need more books and some materials to share with the children.

### Special Request

Since October 2017, the World Reach Office has been completing our monthly budget for family support, this help ends in December 2019. Please help us pray for us to complete our monthly budget for 2020.

<sup>2</sup>We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. <sup>3</sup>We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labour prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 New International Version

With Love:Abner, Alisson e Ian Andrés