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Thank you for praying for the children's camp outreach last month. We are sharing just a few pictures from the camp in this month's newsletter, but you can find a lot more on Facebook. Managing a full day of high-energy activities requires a large, dedicated team. Those pictured above attend many meetings where they plan the day, discuss specific assignments, and pray for the young campers who will be there.

It is an entire day of nonstop fun and games, including a few hours of water games, wild indoor games, and a good, hot lunch. How great it is to have La Finca filled with the sound of screaming and laughing kids ages 6 to 11. A parent or responsible adult must drop off each child with a permission slip at the start of the day, and the same person must pick up the child at the end of the day. As these folks line up at the gym door to pick them up, the leadership team is not finished; they speak to each person, explain what the ministry is about, and give them a handout listing regular activities.



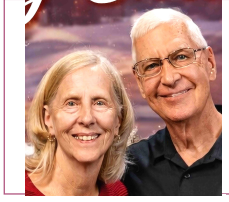
Sharing the gospel with these kids is the first item on the agenda because the team wants to ensure they are alert and paying attention. Children can understand the gospel and respond to it! The plan is to then get them into a discipleship group where they can learn to love and follow Jesus.



The kids who are new, having never been to La Finca before, are invited back on the day after the camp with their parents to enjoy a campfire. Most of the kids gobble down their first-ever s'mores. This is a quiet, more controlled time where the team can have conversations with the parents and again talk about what it means to know and follow Jesus. In the weeks following the camp, the church visitation team visits each home to follow up and discuss the church in more detail.



Many of these children come to La Finca from very problematic homes. There are behavioral challenges throughout the day due to a lack of discipline. But that is all the more reason to love them well while they are there. Meg's primary job is in the kitchen. Mark is taking pictures and connecting to the kids, focusing on those who are not used to being heard, who thought they were invisible until they stepped into Mark's sphere of influence. The leadership calls it controlled chaos. We call it outrageous love, and those kids just can't get enough of it. Many come to other activities just to experience that love again.



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