

LOVING HONDURAS

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Dear Mission Partners,

Today I want to talk about anti-indio, translated as something impossible for Native Americans.

When I was studying in Spain, and the Spanish found out I didn't eat ham, (which has been their national food since the inquisition when every home had to have a ham hock hanging in the kitchen to prove the inhabitants were not Jewish or Muslim), they said to me "muy poca española." (not very Spanish).

Here in Honduras when I do something that Hondurans would never do, they say it's anti-indio.

For example, I put my box fan in the window at night to blow cool air on me. This brings in the sereno, the night air. That's anti-indio.

If a product comes in a bubble pack, it is immediately proclaimed anti-indio. My maid took one look at my computer and printer with their confusing lights and buttons, proclaimed them anti-indio and refused to dust them.

Probably the most ironic part of all this is that most Hondurans look mestizo, have no idea what tribe their ancestors might have come from, have no knowledge of native language or customs, with very few exceptions.

On Lempira day, a day to recognize and honor the Lencan chief, Lempira, who resisted the Spaniards, they dress their children like the Native Americans one might see in American western movies.

*For His Sake,
Jeannie*



Top: New braces donated to the Regional Hospital of Danli. These are Iowa braces from Club Foot Solutions.
Above: Hauling water in San Lorenzo so the in-school feeding program can happen. The barrels fill the pila to wash dishes, the water jugs are for filtered drinking water.



Then this message came to Zachariah from the Lord: "This is what the Lord almighty says: judge fairly and honestly, and show mercy and kindness to one another. Do not oppress widows, orphans, foreigners and poor people. And do not make evil plans to harm each other." *Zechariah 7:8-10*



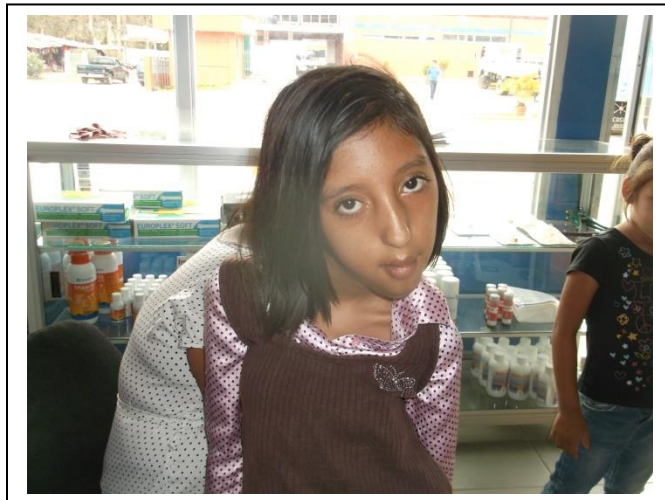
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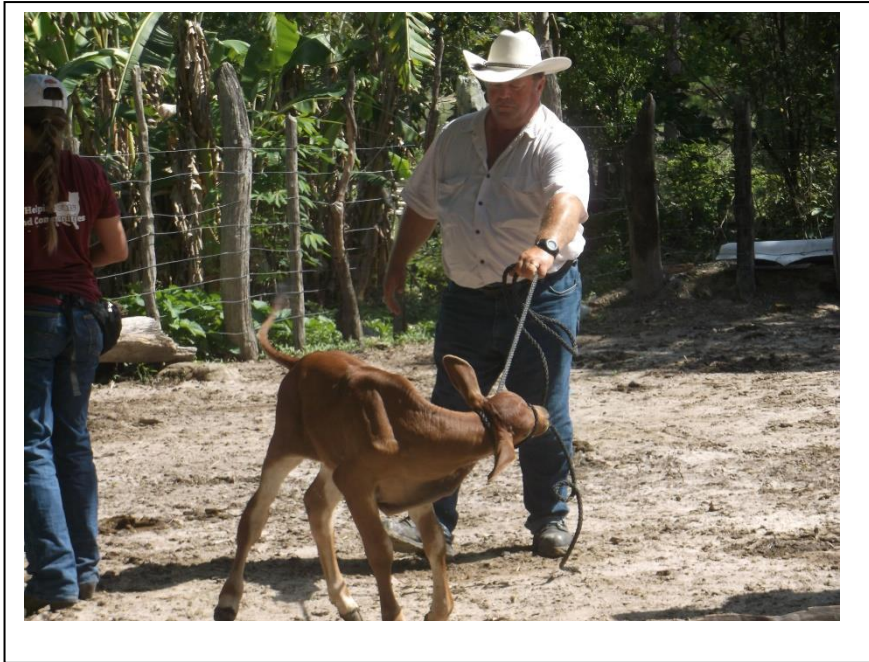
- THE COMMUNITY IS ENGAGED IN MAKING A TRAIL FROM A FAR-AWAY MOUNTAIN WHERE THERE IS WATER IN ORDER TO LAY PIPE TO SAN LORENZO. IF THE PROJECT IS BROUGHT TO FRUITION, THEY SHOULD HAVE LOTS OF WATER, 24/7.
- THE WELL DRILLED BY THE EPISCOPAL WATER MINISTRY IN SAN LORENZO IS BEING USED CONSTANTLY, EVEN BY PEOPLE WHO LIVE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN. THERE ARE USUALLY LINES AND A WAIT, AS THE WATER GETS PUMPED OUT AND THEY HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE WELL TO RECOVER.
- EVERYONE IS PLANTING HIS LAND, WITH THE HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE RAIN THIS YEAR. WITH THE NINO AND NINA CONFUSION, PROGNOSTICATIONS GO BOTH WAYS



PRAYER AND PRAISE REQUESTS

Pray for Jeannie's health and safety.
Praise God for sending me someone to help with the in-school feeding program in San Lorenzo, Santa Rita, and the special needs school.
Pray for the growth of the mission in San Lorenzo.
Pray for rain in Valle de Jamastran.
Pray for the students to improve their grades.
Pray for God to call more women to be Daughters of the King.
Praise Him for the teams He sends to Honduras. Ask for teams to build play yards at two churches.

Above: Maria and her mom meet with me for help to take her to the doctor and to physical therapy. She has scoliosis and cerebral palsy. They live in Santa Maria.
Below: Eduardo Pineda Mendoza is nearing the end of the four years when he must wear the Dennis Brown braces for clubfoot each night. He is four and has only six months left of treatment.



Left :
 Dr. Ruben Mars from Bill Folger's vet team holds onto a calf as he waits for it to be sprayed for flies and ticks.
 Below:
 Oxen are used for plowing, since they outnumber the tractors and are slightly cheaper to hire. They are hauling a wagon here, used to haul crops, rocks, firewood, etc.



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