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Caspar & Leanne's Ministry Update

Sharing about our ministry in Honduras and Latin America

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Dear Friends: Greetings from Honduras!

Life in a Reformed community: Fifty years ago, two brothers, Jesus and Alejandro Canales, came to know Jesus Christ at a revival in Yoro, Honduras. They returned home to Mangulile where they owned a cantina (bar). Their cantina was the life of Mangulile on Saturday nights. They closed the cantina and with their two families, turned the cantina into a church. Thus begins the history of Reformed witness in the town of Mangulile.



Today, Jesus' daughter, Cristina, lives in the former cantina with her husband, Rafael. She runs the family business, a small store, out of the front of the building, while Rafael works at the public high school as the sub-director of Public education in Mangulile.



Alejandro Canales



Same ministry, new name. (Leanne) Although there's a new logo at the top of this letter, it doesn't mean I've moved on to a new organization. CRWRC has changed its name to World Renew, but not much else has changed—especially our commitment to Christ-centered community transformation. Check out the new website if you'd like to know the reasons or to read stories about our work.

Personal note. (Caspar) Shortly after our last newsletter, my mother died tragically from a fire in her apartment building. It was bittersweet to be with all of my siblings and Reuben to grieve this loss and give thanks for her testimony of faith.

Please join us in prayer.

Praise!

- For 33 years of God's blessing on our marriage.
- For the testimony that my mother left to her children, family, and friends.
- For 30 participants in Biblical world- and life-view training.
- For 38 participants in Timothy Leadership training.
- For donations to our work during the last two months. (A big thank you from us!)

Concerns:

- For the family of Dilia Aguiriano, director of Diaconia Nacional, whose brother was recently a victim of Honduras's context of violence.
- Travel safety for us both!
- For continued blessing through Sunday school and Timothy Leadership training.
- For Moline CRC's visit to Honduras in November.

Thanks to you all for your continued support.

Shalom from the Geisterfers,

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More than ten CRC members teach in the public education system. They are pictured here with some of their students.

Carlomindo and Sonya (below, left) run a general store, and Roy Roger Funez (below) runs a saw mill. They are typical small business owners and church members.



Adonis Romero is an assistant CRC pastor and a former mayor, currently running for a second term. His wife, Noemi Canales, is the lab technician in the local clinic.



This year, the Mangulile CRC celebrates 50 years of being God's light in the community. This has been a small look at what God has done and continues to do in this piece of the Kingdom through the members of this church. This is Christian and Reformed witness in Honduras.

