



Cole and Sarah McCauley, missionaries in Guatemala

“In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” - 1 Thessalonians 5:18

During this month as we all set aside special times for giving thanks, we want to focus our prayer letter on praising God for His provision for us this year and also to thank all of you who have supported through prayers and financial gifts. We are so thankful for your help in our mission work this year! Your generosity is making a difference in the lives of the children and youth of Casa de Mi Padre. We pray that through God’s grace and the faithful prayers and financial support of believers like you, we will continue to be able to bless the young people we serve with the life-giving, heart-changing, hope-filled gospel of Jesus Christ!

Sarah and I had been praying for a while about God’s will for us to visit the USA this year to see family and raise support for our mission. Normally, we fly back two times a year, but the pandemic changed our plans. We were content with whatever God would bring forth. Whether or not we could travel depended on many factors: our 1 and a half year long residency process, if the Guatemalan borders were open, Sarah’s pregnancy, and staffing changes in the orphanage. During the last week of October, our residency process was finally completed for all of our family, the borders were open, we were fully staffed, and Sarah had one more month where she was approved to fly!!! So, the next week we all hopped on a plane and headed to the USA for almost 3 weeks. Because of the short notice, we had no churches scheduled to share at, but a few churches graciously invited us to come speak at their services or events, and we were also able to meet with some other supporters as well. We are in need of new supporters so please contact us if you want to join us on this mission (see the blue box at the end of this letter for more details). We also were so thankful to be with our extended families; we hadn’t been able to since last December. To top off our travels, we were very blessed to be able to get back into Guatemala even though we had the wrong kind of Covid-19 test documentation. Twenty people on our plane ended up not being able to fly because of similar wrong tests.

Praise God for His perfect timing and care over our travels!

Speaking of travels and paperwork, we are excited that we are now residents of Guatemala. This allows us much more flexibility in choosing when we travel. Before, we were considered tourists and had to leave the country every 90 days; this really added up in airfare and travel expenses. The process to become residents was especially difficult this year with many delays due to the pandemic. Going into this process, we didn’t know how long it would take or how much it would cost, so we didn’t put it into our budget. Now that we are finished, the total cost for our family was \$5,472.85. This includes all the paperwork fees, lawyer fees, and multiple times of traveling to the immigration office in the capital city. Any one-time gifts to help cover this financial need would be greatly appreciated!

As we look back over this year, we give thanks and praise to God for the many ways He has moved in our ministry. Here are some highlights of the year so far:

- Cole was appointed to be the director of operations of Casa de Mi Padre, with more leadership over staff and decision making over the care and discipleship of our kids.

Travel Adventures



Patrick on the plane to the USA



Elizabeth enjoying an autumn day in the USA



Patrick in the cockpit of our plane back to Guatemala

- We were able to hire a Christian psychologist, social worker, and lawyer to help advocate for the kids in court hearings and an excellent tutor to help them excel in their studies.
- As we have taken on more financial responsibilities with the ministry over the last few years, our committed monthly support has not kept pace with our growing needs, but God has faithfully provided through one-time donors and even anonymous gifts to make up the difference each month! Going into 2021, we are about \$3,900 short when you compare our monthly donors with our monthly budget needs. **Praise God; each and every month He has provided all we need!!!** We thank God for His past provision and will continue to trust Him in the future.
- After much prayer on our part and prayer warriors like you, God sent 3 mission-minded Guatemalan couples to work at Casa de Mi Padre, providing more of a father and mother presence for the kids.
- All the kids successfully completed their grade level of school!
- We have been able provide a home for Cristina and Fermina, two young ladies in the transitional program, who have moved in with our family due to the pandemic.

This year has been like no other with so many changes in our ministry, the countries of Guatemala and the USA, and the world as a whole. But, God has continued to be our Rock, our loving Father who knows our needs before we even ask or know about them ourselves. Through trials, our faith is being strengthened and our reliance on His providence is deepening. The verse from 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you," has taken on new meaning for us this year.



Elizabeth with Grandma McCauley and cousins

Thank you again for your prayers and support this year!

We pray that your Thanksgiving season will be a time of grateful reflection and loving worship of our amazing Lord.

Love in Christ,
The McCauleys and the Kids of Casa

WE ARE LOOKING FOR MORE PARTNERS!

Earlier this year, after serving full-time for 4 years, Cole was appointed to be the operations manager of Casa de Mi Padre. Our director Shane Sanderson can now focus on other needs in the ministry. While Shane is still responsible for the bulk of the financial needs of the children, Cole has taken on more of the burden of paying our child care staff. Cole's duties also include being in charge of all operations of the children's home, managing the staff, and supervising the training and discipline of the kids. He also leads the transitional ministry for kids who have aged out of Casa and funds some of their education expenses.

Because of our new financial responsibilities with the ministry, we are praying and seeking for more supporters.

TOTAL MONTHLY BUDGET FOR 2021

\$9,354.50

Committed monthly supporters in Oct. 2020

\$5,405.00

MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDS

IN 2021

\$3,949.50

In the last few years, one-time gifts have helped cover the financial needs not funded by our monthly donors. We praise God for His provision!

2021 Estimated Budget



- Casa de Mi Padre staff, kids, & ministry expenses
- Transitional Program
- USA Postage, promotion, processing fees
- Tithing and giving
- Our family

To Support by Mail:

Checks to "Child Rescue"

Memo: Cole McCauley

Child Rescue

709 E. Hyde Park Ave.

Saint Joseph, MO 64504



To Support Online:

Go to www.savingkids.net

Click on the "Give" tab
Scroll down to Cole McCauley

To set up automatic MONTHLY GIVING: Go to the online giving link or contact Jon Henderson (816-238-4999) or revjonhenderson@gmail.com at Midland Ministries.