



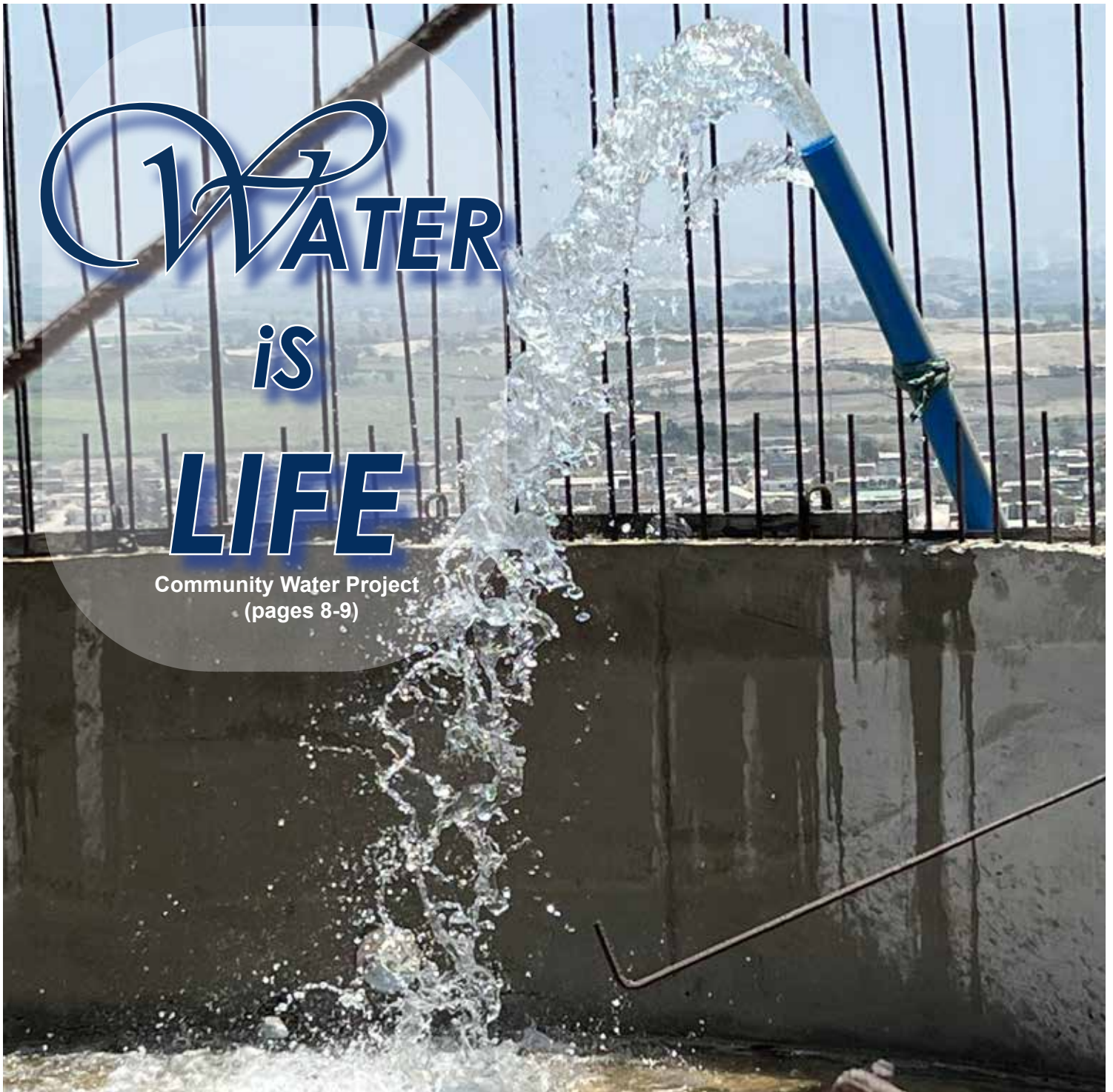
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Executive Director's Corner



Over the past three to four years, our Mission serving the poor of Chimbote has been branching out to the periphery of the community. We have served our brothers and sisters around our Lady of Perpetual Help parish for over 40 years. We transformed thousands of lives, building homes, providing meals, drilling wells, starting businesses, educating, providing scholarships and medical services and many others. Parish members were employed and our operations were expanded by building parish dorms, the ACAF building, Chapels, the Hospice building, Quintas and the Bob Cikanek Production Center.



With all of this service and these investments transforming lives around the parish, the dire needs on the periphery of the community became very evident as people from these communities increasingly sought help. As we ventured to the outskirts, we identified key factors that would guide our engagement. We were looking for communities where we could partner and collaborate with community, faith and education leaders. Communities where the needs are great but the desire and determination to transform their own lives is even greater.

The October trip by Friends of Chimbote board members, staff, donors and guests confirmed that we have located one of these communities. We first began working in the communities around Cambio Puente, 15 minutes from ACAF, at the start of the pandemic by engaging with community leaders. The needs were very great with hundreds of families, especially single mothers, living in inhumane conditions, barely earning enough to buy daily food and water. As dire as the conditions are, they moved to the community to pursue a better life and opportunities for their family and especially their children.

These families have had very little assistance, opportunities or hope. The mayor of Cambio Puente shared with us that we are the first foreign group to focus on the community in their 70 years since founding. They have been so grateful, amazed and engaged as we provided food and water to the community during the quarantine of the pandemic. The needs and engagement led us to building the San Miguel Soup Kitchen early in the pandemic. Later, a pilot learning center was built next to the Soup Kitchen.



The learning center is used daily for K-12 students who couldn't participate in remote learning and need help to catch up. It is also being used for catechesis and sacramental preparation including for the recent group baptisms. Transformation opportunities are being embraced and hope is emerging which we are eager to share with you in these pages.

We continue to use two important principles that guide our direction, programs and funding. The first one is, are we following the teachings of Christ in the Gospel of Matthew to serve the least of our brothers and sisters? The second principle was brought to me by a wonderful donor and friend who asked the tough question years ago...are we making a difference? After this most recent trip where we spent each day led by ACAF staff, living Matthew's gospel and partnering with community leaders and residents, I can unequivocally state that more than ever, we are living the Gospel and making a difference.

Thank you for your support and prayers that make this possible.

Todd



You know the feeling. Long term goals are set and the journey begins. Keeping your resolve and your eye on reaching them, progressing through detours and roadblocks, collaborating with partners, is essential to meeting those goals.

On our October trip to Chimbote, we met a very important goal. The Hospice Facility envisioned and built almost 2 decades ago and operated until 2017 was returned to our Mission. We have been working with our partners in the Hospice Program, The Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, since 2017 when the residential Hospice Program closed due to repairs needed while revenues declined and expenses grew. We met with and discussed the facility and programs with the Sisters for over 3 years, looking at alternative,



“It was a joyous occasion, filled with hope, as the Sisters transferred title.”

sustainable ministries. Finally, just prior to the pandemic, we agreed that the facility should return to our Mission to be cared for, repaired and given life while we discern its purpose that can be sustained.

It was a joyous occasion, filled with hope, gratitude and resolve as the Sisters transferred title of the facility to a new entity of our Mission, Apoyo a Los Angeles, meaning Support of the Angels. This entity is to operate as a holding company for the assets of our Mission, safeguarding donors’ investments.

As the name implies, the use of this facility will be to continue to achieve our goals of empowering and transforming the lives of the very poor we support and serve, striving to be angels to our brothers and sisters. While the next goals and journey begin on discerning the multiple ministries for this facility, we will continue to maintain it and use it for medical campaigns, meetings, gatherings and secure storage for the container goods and building supplies.

Any uses involving occupancy must wait until we correct the failed state of the perimeter wall condemned by building authorities. Additional internal repairs and modifications are needed. While these factors are important and costly, excitement and motivation pervades our discussions as we examine and envision this beautiful oasis in our next goals. It will be core to the success of our Mission’s goals to transform lives of all those touched by the support of the angels.





Asociacion Civil Apoyo Familiar

(Civil Association Supporting Families)

The Peruvian faith-based, civil association was created in 2005 to administer Mission programs. Over 80 Peruvian employees of ACAF utilize the donor funding secured and managed by Friends of Chimbote to combat the daily affects of poverty while empowering the poor through education and transformation opportunities. Meeting the diverse needs of the poor are a dedicated staff of social workers, psychologists, teachers, attorneys, lenders, construction workers, carpenters, trainers, guards and maintenance personnel.

ACAF leaders are in the community each day to assess needs, manage employees and visitors working in the programs and collaborate with community leaders. The ACAF Board is a qualified group of community leaders and a Friends of Chimbote liaison. Friends of Chimbote and ACAF staff and leaders interact dynamically each week to effectively deliver Mission programs.



Jorge Villar

ACAF Executive Director

Greetings from Chimbote!

After many prayers and a long wait, we are happy and satisfied to say that, with great joy and affection, we once again welcomed members of the FoC board of directors, some benefactors and visitors to our mission in Chimbote. While we had several days filled with unforgettable experiences and emotions, we also had an intense week of hard work. I am grateful that in unity with the community and its leaders, our staff and visitors, we formed a team to be at the service of the neediest. I am amazed once again to see how the Lord our God continues to bless us.



We are all very motivated and optimistic because through this long-anticipated visit we have reinforced the start of a new amazing and challenging journey which represents “The Development of a Vulnerable Community” – a community which struggles and suffers from the ravages of poverty, seen through the efforts and feelings of the many families living in misery and the unacceptable conditions of extreme poverty. This vibrant community called “Cambio Puente” with it’s needs and the enormous challenges faced by its members, has now become a further commitment for us to help to build a better future for its inhabitants, especially the children and working mothers who fight endlessly to provide for their families.

We started this community pilot project in Cambio Puente two years ago, and little by little, with great effort and dedicated work from our staff, we are very happy to say that we are on the right path. Our Lord has given us this new direction, a new mission and something which excites us even more, by working with the people, the families who have a passion and contagious energy to achieve more. This motivates us and we are optimistic to continue working to achieve their empowerment and transformation.

Thank you for your prayers and continuous support as always. I am certain that if you were here with us, you would be fascinated to see the work we are doing and the opportunities to generate a positive change in the lives of our brothers and sisters in Cambio Puente.

I pray that the Lord God may bless you and protect you always.

Sincerely,

Jorge



A Collaboration of Leadership

Friends of Chimbote Board of Directors



Bishop Angel Ernesto Zapata Bances



During the FoC Fall Board Meeting in Chimbote, Board Members and ACAF Staff greeted the new Bishop of Chimbote at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Key to the City



FoC received the key to the City of Cambio Puente for our humanitarian work. We are the first US organization to provide assistance in their 70 year history.

Recognition from Peruvian Government



On Oct. 27, 2022, Lady Camones Soriano - Congresswoman of the Republic recognized FoC for the service and support of social programs in Peru.

The Friends of Chimbote Board is deeply committed to the mission of transforming lives of the poor including an annual meeting in Chimbote engaging in our mission work. The broad and diverse nature of challenges facing our mission is met head on by the amazing skills, knowledge, advocacy, and passions of our Board Members.

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Baptism Cambio Puente



Friends of Chimbote and ACAF continue to operate as faith-based organizations. While our daily programs improving the lives of the least of our brothers and sisters are prevalent, we are also committed to supporting their faith.

This important aspect of our Mission was very evident at the communal baptism we experience on our recent trip. Father Tom Graner and our entire group participated in the joyful baptism of 32 members, from babies to teenagers, of the 6 communities outside Cambio Puente.

Our support of Father Erasmo, pastor of Virgin of Mercy Church in Cambio Puente, enhances sacramental preparation. The Learning Center next to the San Miguel Soup Kitchen, provides a space, right in the communities, where preparation can take place. With parents working from before sunrise to after sunset, 6 days a week, exhaustion and time hinder faith participation at the parish, a 30 minute walk each way.

However, the facility is only one of many ways we are supporting faith development. We have purchased bibles and preparation materials. Our staff assist with planning and catechesis. The Sacraments hold a very special place in the lives of the Peruvians, requiring a big celebration. With our Mission setting up the Mass and celebration with awnings, chairs, sound systems, decorations and small baptism gifts, each family can fully participate, regardless of their means.

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8th, 40 more members of the community will be baptized and 25 will receive First Holy Communion. We will be celebrating with them as our support of holistic, community transformation continues.



FoC Welcomes New Board Member

Margaret Crary recently joined as a member of the FoC Board of Directors. Margaret grew up in North Dakota around the Devils Lake area but now resides in Chicago, IL. She is a certified nutritionist and specializes in diabetes. She lived in Peru for over 4 years and has a clear understanding of the Peruvian culture and the people.

Margaret has served on various boards including, the WomanMade Gallery-Chicago, American Diabetes Association-Chicago and the Slam Dunk Basketball Camp for children with Diabetes.

Welcome Margaret!



Brian Berg

Vice Chair of FoC Board



Our recent board trip to Chimbote included several moments that reaffirm our reasons for doing this important work. On October 21st, 17 of us converged with excitement on Peru, traveling from Fargo, Twin Cities, Bismarck, Chicago, Virginia, and North Carolina. For most of us, Covid resulted in a gap of at least 2 ½ years since our last visit to this place that connects us. As we traveled from Lima to Trujillo by plane and then to Chimbote by bus, I was struck again by how different this place is from home; with towering sand dunes interrupted by expansive corporate agriculture including blueberry, asparagus, and sugar cane fields. I'm also conscious of how things have stayed constant. This country was ravaged by Covid, but the Peruvian people are remarkably resilient, and life seems to be going on as usual. For many of our brothers and sisters in and around

Chimbote, this means living in extreme poverty. As board members, we are a diverse group that includes Catholics, Lutherans, and Presbyterians, but we are linked by our ecumenical desire to live out our mission of service to the poor in this area of the world.

As we continue this important work, we are beginning to explore opportunities to impact broader communities while still continuing our work with families and individuals through current ACAF programs. Our pilot project for this effort is occurring in a small community about 5 miles northeast of Chimbote called Cambio Puente. ACAF has been active in the outlying areas of this small community for nearly 2 years, identifying needs and impacting lives.

Water for cooking, drinking and personal hygiene is a critical need for those living in extreme poverty. FOC is providing support for a project that will bring water lines to families living uphill from the center of the community. We met with community leaders who are working towards that goal, and we are thrilled to be able to provide the final financial push to help them.

One of the highlights of the trip was attending a baptism mass for 30 children in Cambio Puente ranging from toddlers to early teens led by Father Erasmus, the leader of the local parish and our own Father Tom Graner. These families have so little, but the hope and faith that they display is remarkable. We continued to see these children throughout the week and their smiles and laughter fueled our work.

We were able to spend time around the community kitchen or "comedores populares". Sometimes referred to as a soup kitchen, this community space is really a kitchen co-op that is shared by 27 families in the community. They take turns cooking, and all pay a very small fee to belong. This type of community resource has its roots deep in Incan culture and these "comedores populares" are located throughout Peru. The building that houses this kitchen was donated by our brothers and sisters in Prior Lake and it continues to provide nourishment to this part of the community.

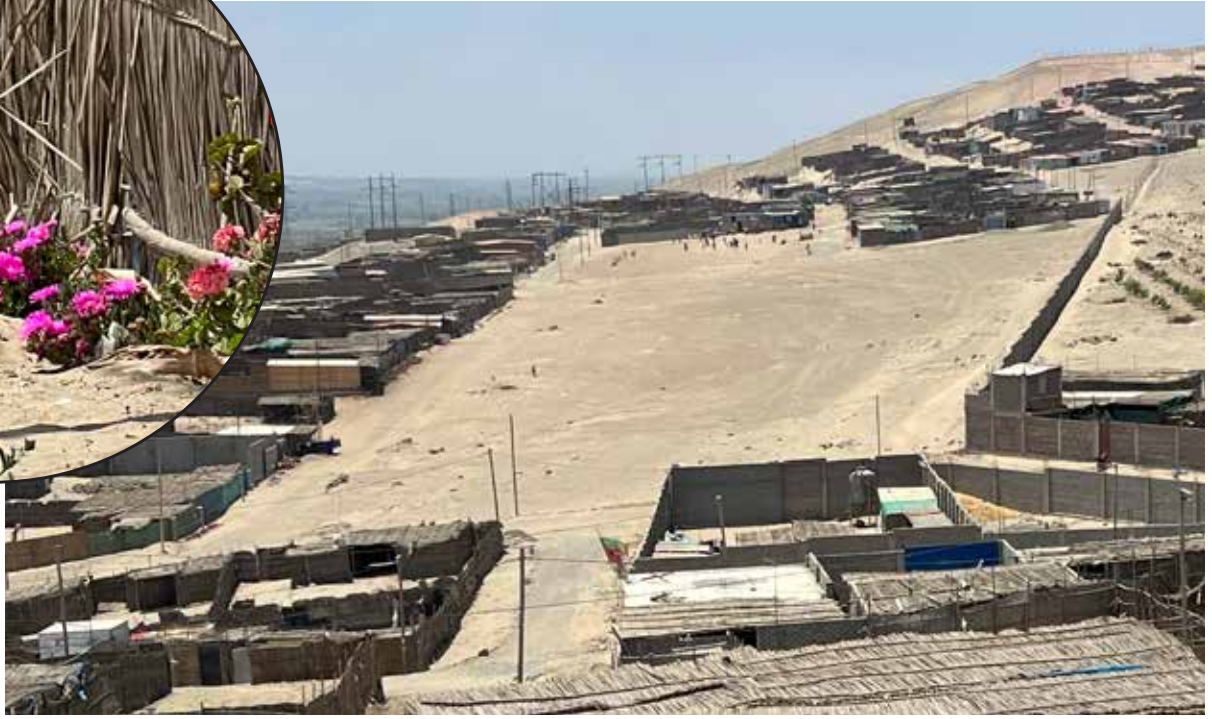


The literal translation of Cambio Puente is "change bridge". We pray that our movement towards a community-based model for FOC and ACAF will yield a broad, transformational impact on the lives of the people in that community. We move forward with hope that this change in our approach will continue to bear fruit and will eventually become the template for working in other communities throughout the region.



Water is LIFE...

FoC and ACAF alongside Communities Leaders pilot a water project!



“Next year when you return, you will see green!”

Those were the confident, proud and hope-filled words shared with us by a community leader, atop the hill in Cambio Puente. We were standing next to the unfinished, 100,000 liter concrete water tank and looking over the sandy, brown landscape and homes below.

Those words capture a multi-year journey for the elevated communities outside of Cambio Puente where households have formed in the waterless hillsides outside the city. Our Mission’s involvement with this community began at the beginning of the pandemic and required some FoC research on its location and history. Looking up Cambio Puente, Peru in Google Maps, showed the small city outside of Chimbote as a tan blip ringed by beautiful green waves of irrigated farm fields.

Our early discussions with ACAF on the needs assessment for the communities focused on the lack of water for over 3,000 people living in the 6 communities. They were buying water from trucks when available or hauling it up the hill in buckets. On average, each family was buying 1,200 liters per month and spending 10-20% of their monthly income on water. For reference, our average household use in the United States is 1,200 liters per day.

Looking at the satellite view of Cambio Puente, it was evident that water, from wells, was available for irrigation. As the ACAF team met with community leaders, we discussed the issue of water and learned that it was indeed the top priority for the communities and Cambio Puente had a well and a water tower. However, the city had no money to install a water system for these hillside communities outside the city. The leaders then shared the water project they had underway.

Even on incomes of \$5-10 dollars a day per household, they had raised \$15,000 from the 600 families in the communities on the hill for a water system. They had tied into the city main water line. From the main, they dug a trench by hand to install 250 feet of 3-inch water pipe that fills a concrete, 36,000 liter inground storage tank they installed. The project was at this point when our small FoC group was in Cambio Puente in late April and were introduced to the project.

In Cambio Puente each family has been buying 1,200 liters of water per month.



In the United States an average household uses 1,200 liters per day!



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When we returned in October, they had trenched and installed 650 meters of pipe up the hill and a pump to lift the water. While we were at the bottom, they flipped the switch and water shot out of the pipe at the top of the hill and into that unfinished concrete tank. The joy and pride were so evident and contagious! We were astonished at how much had been done through hard work, ingenuity and resolve.

Standing at the top of the hill, looking down at the 6 communities in the sand, the community leaders shared that they were ready to finish the concrete tank and hand trench and install the thousands of feet of water pipe to bring water into the homes for over 600 families. Water that would improve hygiene, health, and enable growing food and raising animals while reducing the time needed to buy, store and transport purchased water. The 100,000 liter tank would be filled daily from the city main at a fraction of the cost of the purchased water. Each family would have 4 times the amount of water they bought from trucks at 10-20% of the cost. The savings would allow each family to feed their families better, improve health and reduce the cost impediments to educating their children. A resident emotionally shared that “water is gold” for these communities. The only obstacles remaining were the cost and final engineering.

Overwhelmed by the vision, efforts, sacrifices and dreams of these determined families and confident of the impact of the project for entire communities, we agreed to fund the immediate completion of final engineering for the project. The project was discussed at our Board Meeting and if the final engineering confirms the viability and remaining costs of the project, up to \$40,000, we will fund it. The opportunity to participate, hand in hand, with so many families working hard to transform their lives meets and exceeds the goals of our Mission. We welcome your participation and help in making this transformation of lives possible. With your help, we will all see green, as these families move forward on their journey out of poverty, hand in hand, with our Mission.



The Empowerment of a Community Coming Together for a Greater Purpose





Heartwrenching Transformation

Domitila Mendez Bermudez



On our October trip to Chimbote, we hit the ground running. There was so much to see, to do and most of all to learn after 3 years of absence for our Friends of Chimbote Board. We arrived at the parish in early afternoon and after a wonderful, warm welcome, stowing our gear and a quick lunch, we headed to Domitila's home in Cambio Puente.

The ACAF staff had located and selected Domitila Mendez Bermudez and her four children, three with disabilities, to not only receive a new home but to experience our multi-disciplinary, family transformation. It is our goal to not only provide a clean, safe place to live but to

partner in their journey out of poverty through education, resource access and income enhancement.

We arrived at Domitila's home with ACAF Staff to meet the family, learn their story and put our combined team of 30+ pairs of hands and hearts to work tearing down their dwelling to prepare for a deep transformation. This was a new approach for us to have a planned, family transformation. We are grateful to St. Michael's Church in Prior Lake and children of Frank & Rosemary Thomas for their generous support of this transformation.

The key to a multi-disciplinary, holistic

approach to family transformation is our professional staff, led by an expanded social department and leader Gloria Bazan Guzman. Our social workers led the assessment of Domitila's family needs. Domitila is 45 years old, illiterate and works every day of the week, totally dedicated to the very challenging needs of her family. She grows and sells animal feed, animals, manure, and works in the farm fields to earn \$5-6 a day, \$180 a month. Her income barely provides food and water for the family with no resources for therapy, school assistance and medical care for the significant needs of her children.



“We put our combined team of 30+ pairs of hands and hearts to work tearing down their dwelling to prepare for a deep transformation”



Jesus is 16 with multiple disabilities and far behind in school due to the pandemic. Sintya is 13 and attends primary school in the morning then takes care of her siblings in the afternoon while her mother is working. Deyvi is 6 and confined to a wheelchair with hydrocephalus and muscular atrophy. Mauricio is 5 and in a wheelchair with muscular atrophy and some paralysis.

Our team harnessed all of the professional skills of our staff to assess and determine a plan for the transformation of Domitila’s family. One of the most challenging family situations we have ever encountered.

Our engineer, Daniel and his team laid out a plan for their house to address the needs of the disabled children and segregate the animals. The professional psychologists of ACAF provided counseling and a path for Domitila and Sintya as caregivers of their disabled family members. Our Mission social workers including our attorney, Carlos, identified government resources available to the family and therapy programs for the children. Our education department worked on a plan for Jesus and Sintya to continue in their schooling and for Domitila to learn to read and write. Father Erasmo and our pastoral team provided spiritual and emotional support. The transformation team developed a plan to expand her business and increase her income.

The resulting plan for Domitila and her family provide not only a plan, but hope. The social and legal team registered Domitila and her children for identities with the government and guided them through all the government programs to receive disability and subsistence benefits. These benefits increased their monthly resources by 50%. The transformation team is putting together business training, financing and marketing support to expand Domitila’s business. The education team is providing a computer and printer to enable Jesus and Sintya to stay in school, attend remotely when needed, to recover from the pandemic and for Domitila to learn to read and write. The psychology team and all of ACAF build confidence, guide and counsel the family on their many, daily challenges. Daniel and the construction team, with a tiny bit of help from the gringos, completed Domitila’s house by the end of the week, culminated by Father Erasmo’s blessing ceremony!

The miraculous journey of Domitila and her family provide confirmation of our Mission’s ability to transform the lives of our brothers and sisters who face so much adversity and so many obstacles to escaping poverty. Your support makes it possible for our miracle workers to provide hope and opportunity where none existed. On behalf of Domitila and all of the other families who will receive holistic transformation from our Mission, thank you!





Comedores Populares

A Friends of Chimbote Style Soup Kitchen

Many of you know that Friends of Chimbote’s soup kitchens provide meals for needy families (typically, lunch and dinner five days a week). In the last two years, those soup kitchens prepared and served over 100,000 meals!

What you may not know is that the way we operate the soup kitchens is a different than most. When most Americans think of a soup kitchen they think of a place where hungry people show up, are provided a warm meal for free, and then leave. The folks benefitting from the meal are usually distinct from the folks paying for and preparing the meal.

How are Friends of Chimbote’s 8 soup kitchens different? At a high level, you can think of them more as a cooperative, rather than a charity. To start, the meals are prepared by the same people who eat at the soup kitchen. Typically, each family prepares the meals twice a month. Another distinction is that the families pay for each meal if they are able to do so. While it may be a nominal amount (and if you can’t afford to pay that is ok), we have found that the expectation of payment if you are able provides both a practical and intangible benefit. The practical benefit is the payments help defray the food costs. The intangible benefit is payment provides a further sense of ownership (and the pride that results from that sense).



The two women with aprons on were preparing the lunch meal, the gal with the notebook was responsible for meticulously recording who ate lunch and how much each person contributed, and another neighbor was pitching in to watch the child.

FoC MISSION CALENDAR 2022

January

14-20 Waypoint - North Carolina
21-28 Providence - North Carolina

April

July

5-11 - Sondrol - ND
11-18 - Cathedral St. Marys, ND
21-30 - F3, Houston

October

21-29 - FoC Board North Dakota

February

22 - March 1 - Kopseng, North Dakota

May

August

1-9 - Holy Spirit, North Dakota

November

March

10-19 - Focus Missions Colorado

June

5-9- Heyman Family Minnesota
10-26 - St. Michael Minnesota

September

December

If you are interested in an upcoming Mission Visit or would like more info, please contact Julie Dolbec, mission visit director at 701-202-6027 or julied@friendsofchimbote.org

US Container HAS ARRIVED!

Excitement arose in the middle of the night as the long-awaited US Container arrived. ACAF Staff worked throughout the night Friday Nov. 11th unloading the contents into the Hospice Building. Thanks to all who contributed and worked tirelessly to send these priceless gifts to our brothers and sisters in Peru.





There is no question in my mind that being born into my life—to my dear family, in a small pretty city in North Dakota—I won the lottery. But I’m not sure I fully realized this, or how truly lucky I was, until I spent time in October with the families and communities helped by Friends of Chimbote.

Like me, the people we work with were innocently born into their circumstances by no choice of their own—but to families in the impoverished mountain towns of Peru. Because illiteracy is the norm, it is nearly impossible for parents to fill out the complicated governmental birth registration forms. That means the State doesn’t even know they exist. Some find the means to travel to cities like Chimbote in hopes that they will find a way to survive. Same lottery, wildly different outcome.

The vast majority of these people end up building shelter from straw and mud. Most are single mothers, who look for employment in the fields, and some, with luck, find it. But because there is no daycare, they leave their young children alone to care for themselves, while they earn no more than \$5.00 a day. Their shacks have no running water, one bed to share, and a dirt floor. To get water for cooking and bathing, moms, with their young children, walk down a steep sand hill with however



many buckets they can find and carry, to pay for water from a truck that comes once a week. The little crews navigate back up those large sand dunes, diligently balancing so as not to lose a drop of the water that must get them through the week.

And yet, I’ve been astounded by how much the Chimbote community, despite the extreme poverty, manages to produce from so little. One example: Your donations help us to employ social workers, and one of their many crucial functions is to ensure everyone is finally registered with the government, so kids can go to school and families can receive aid. That aid is a minuscule amount, but I am confident they will stretch each cent as far as can be.

In Cambio Puente, I witnessed just how far people could stretch food (provided by your donations) when we were introduced to something called an Olla Comunitaria, which translated means Community Pot.

Here, members of the community gather to cook together in a building built & outfitted by our mission, and then each family buys the portions they need. Those who have nothing, pay nothing. Those who do, pay according to their means.

But perhaps the most startling example of how something can come from nearly nothing was when a team of men from the Cambio Puente community initiated a project to bring water into the homes of their fellow citizens. Volunteering their time and forgoing other more lucrative work, the four engineered the foundation of a system, using rudimentary tools, that would provide water to their fellow residents. They came to us for the last thing they needed: financing that could bring it to completion. Truly a game changer, this water system will save lives and money for everyone—and will be completed because of the generosity of Friends of Chimbote.

For the group of people and the section of Chimbote that Friends of Chimbote focuses on, we—those who donate—represent hope. Without your help, your donation, these people honestly have none.





Campaigns & Distributions



LOAVES - N - FISHES

With fish as a main staple of the Chimbotanos, ACAF reached out to a local partner and fishing company, Hayduk and negotiated a discount on fish. Fish is a favorite in the area because without refrigeration the fish can be salted and preserved. Distribution of bread from the ACAF bakery and fish were delivered out into the Cambio Puente community.



CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Christmas is time of giving! It is an occasion to bring peace and joy to all homes, especially those where poverty and hunger are greatest. A "Christmas that Feeds" campaign has begun which hopes to serve more than 400 families with Christmas Baskets full of basic necessities and a delicious Panetone baked in the ACAF Bakery.



FOOD DISTRIBUTION

In October, the FoC Staff and Board Members ventured out into the Cambio Puente community to distribute baskets full of vegetables, fruits, grains and water to over 200 families in the neighborhoods of "Los Jazmines", "Villamari" and the "San Miguel" soup kitchen in the Cambio Puente area.



INTRODUCING...FoC's 1st Online Apparel Shop



We are excited to share that our first-ever FoC Online Apparel Shop is live! We offer a large variety of items to choose from including women's apparel, men's apparel and accessories.

Click on this link below:

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click on the resources tab and find under Fundraising Materials

Support our ministry this giving season and get new FoC gear too!



Muchas Gracias **CI APPAREL**



9 Opportunities to Provide HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT

to our brothers and sisters in Peru

\$10-\$1000

Item # H1
Bibles

Purchase a Bible for a child or a family!
\$10 - 1 Bible
\$100 - 10 Bibles
\$1000 - 100 Bibles

\$400

Item # H2
Essential Package

Provide 20 families with a package of food and essentials.

\$25

Item # H3
X-Mas Package

Provide a family with a X-mas Basket full of basic necessities including a panetone bread made in the ACAF bakery.

\$100-\$1000

Item # H4
Water Project

Contribute to the pilot water project in the Cambio Puente community.

\$1,120

Item # H5
Loaves & Fishes

Provide 350 families with loaves and fish in a community

\$2100

Item # H6
Soup Kitchen

Provide one month of meals for 200 people at a Mission Soup Kitchen

\$1,500

Item # H7
Student Scholarship

Two-year vocational training for a student.

\$6000

Item # H8
House Build

Provide shelter to a family in need with a home, furniture, gas stove and food package

\$50-\$20,000

Item # H9

Where ever My Dollars are NEEDED!

Social Programs (Food, Water, Shelter)
Health & Medical
Education
Transformation (Scholarship & Microloans)

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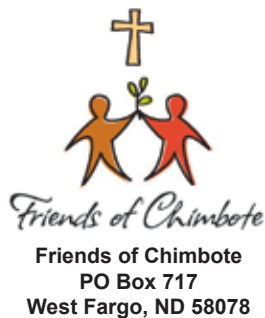
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Any questions regarding these designated gifts please contact Todd Mickelson at 701-364-0162.

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 _____ Enclosed is my check payable to "Friends of Chimbote" for the amount of \$ _____
 _____ Bill this purchase to my credit card. _____ Mastercard _____ AMEX _____ Discover
 Card# _____ Expiration: _____ Amount \$ _____
 Phone # _____ Signature: _____

DEDICATED GIFT
 _____ YES! Please let my special person know I am sponsoring this gift in their honor with a card!
 Name: _____
 Address: _____ Email: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Comments: _____

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