



2022 ANNUAL REPORT

wearegraces.org/2022

A note from the Executive Director:

In Guatemala there is a common phrase, “primero Dios,” which translated means, “God willing.” People in Guatemala say these two words after any type of making plans. For example, in response to a simple “see you tomorrow,” you will often hear, “primero Dios.”

At first, I thought it was just part of the dialect, a cultural custom. But, the longer I live in Guatemala, the more I realize that when people here say, “God willing,” they truly mean it. They put everything into the hands of God. They depend on Him before and through all else.

As a nonprofit organization we have learned how to embrace, “primero Dios.” We rely on God to continue inspiring others to give, so that we can do the work we do in Guatemala. Our programs—delivering food bags, teaching school for underserved children, providing counseling sessions and psychological support, engaging in continuing education, visiting homes, providing medical care—all happen because of your financial support and faithful giving.

We all depend on God together and we all take action together—that is how God works to accomplish His mission through our organization! YOU play a very important role in this mission.

Thank you for joining us in the work of providing a holistic education in Guatemala for the children who need it most. With God, *primero Dios*, we will continue into the new year.

Affectionately,

Hannah Nadeau Girón
Executive Director of GRACES



2022 ANNUAL REPORT

wearegraces.org/2022

Field Work

GRACES served more than 166 students through Escuela Integrada & Ahava

14 out of 15

students graduated from junior high in 2022

1,668 food bags

distributed while the students learned from home

192 hours

of distance learning provided due to the COVID-19 pandemic

624 hours

of in-person learning

6 workshops

conducted for the staff

100 workshops

provided for students by SERnina

48 Bible classes

provided for the students in 2022

900 hours

held of after school tutoring at Ahava



15 home visits

to see students and families

205 individual counseling

sessions provided

176 group counseling

sessions provided

Vision Trips

2 Vision Trips held

in Guatemala

48 school visits

by supporters in Guatemala

Sponsorship

132 full student sponsorships

and 18 partial sponsorships

8 classroom sponsors

12 new sponsors

signed up in 2022

12 sponsors and child video chats

12 sponsor update meetings

23 scholarships provided

for high school students through sponsorships



2022 ANNUAL REPORT

wearegraces.org/2022

Finances



80%
Project support



20%
GRACES administrative costs

100%
of Escuela Integrada costs covered by GRACES

16%
of Ahava costs covered by GRACES



77 new donors
in 2022

\$86,686.31

raised from GRACES campaigns

Racing for GRACES
raised \$8,729

Mid-Year Schoolhouse Campaign
raised \$7,600

Year-End Campaign
raised \$70,357.31

\$35,084.55

raised through
supporter-led
campaigns

\$27,497

raised from grants

\$21,497.58

raised from Vision Trips

\$161,172

in support for student sponsorships

\$63,000

in support for classroom sponsorships

