

"Educating and empowering people in the largest urban slum in Central America"



As Leah, Donnie, Cherie and I set out to establish Lemonade International in the early part of 2008, we could have never imagined the outpouring of love and support so many of you would so generously provide. And now as we look back on 2009 – our first full year of existence as an organization – we are no less amazed by the personal sacrifice and investment you have made in the children and families of La Limonada.

About ten years ago, without the help of any organization from the US, Tita and a small group of friends established a program for small children to help prevent the possibility that they would turn to drugs, gangs, violence, and prostitution and to provide hope through God's unconditional love in the midst of horrible abuse, neglect, hunger, poverty and despair.

What is now known as "Escuelita Limon" was born, where currently more than 200 children are fed, clothed, educated, provided with vitamins and medical care, and loved by a group of about 18 teachers and other staff members.

In just one year, throughout 2009, a dilapidated building was purchased, renovated, and furnished and now houses "Escuelita Mandarina", where a new group of over 150 children are provided with the same care and love as the students at Escuelita Limon.

In one year you helped establish a second school that serves as a beacon of hope for a barrio in La Limonada that had previously been off limits to Tita and her team. Where gang members once stood on the streets with guns, children now run, play and kick soccer balls. You have helped to bring transformation to this section of La Limonada!

Not only that... but by the close of 2009, you provided sponsorship to over 275 children. You were part of 16 groups who invested a week of their lives to serve in La Limonada. You helped to raise funds that will establish a carpentry workshop for gang members. You helped to establish a new church community. You provided shoes and backpacks filled with school supplies for more than 300 children. You provided 35 high school students with scholarships toward a quality education. You provided 34 teachers with bonuses and encouraged them beyond measure with a fair wage for the month of December.

A value cannot be placed on all you have done to invest in the lives of the children and families of La Limonada. Only the smiles on the faces of the children, the gratitude expressed by their families, the decisions made by so many to follow Jesus, and the expansion of space to reach more children can provide a glimpse into the significance of the sacrifices you have made for this one place in the world.

May this report provide you with an overview of the impact you have made in 2009. May you be reassured with confidence that your generosity is making a difference in people's lives. May you be moved in your heart to give even more to support the vision for the La Limonada community in 2010. And may each of us realize as we look through these pages that we are all a part of something so much more significant than what any one of us could do alone.

Thank you for what each of you has done as a part of what we are all doing together: "educating and empowering people in the largest urban slum in Central America".

Grace and peace,

Bill Cummings Lemonade International Executive Director



Letter From Guatemala Director:

I had an encounter with God a little more than 22 years ago...Wow, He is the responsible one, the one responsible for the crazy and passionate love I feel for Him. Today, I can have an encounter with Him each day in the people that surround me...He is in them, and in them I can love Him and feel Him. He loves me and teaches me through them.

But His Word has injected in me a passion for the souls in need, and I know that He alone is the only answer.

In the book of Hosea, we read that the people perish because of lack of knowledge... any type of ignorance causes disasters and we cannot just sit back while people die in ignorance.

Thank you for what each one of you has done during this time. Many people can tangibly know, listen, feel, and enjoy that God is with them, that He's not a myth or legend, that He is a reality and that He is with them and for them (they can't ignore anymore that they aren't alone).

When one does his part, and everyone is together and in harmony, we are complete in Him.

I only ask that in prayer you keep seeking God and ask Him how you can continue to help. The more we unite for this cause, the more lives we can affect. There are more than 60,000 people, and each one is important to God...and for that, important to us as well.

Thank you for being open to keeping the Body of Christ alive and active, to pay the price of service, to take time to listen to Him and to obey Him.

Tita Evertsz

Guatemala Director



"2009: BY THE NUMBERS"



76
MEMBERS
OF
TEN2END



298
CHILDREN
SPONSORED



TEACHER SPONSORED



2,211
FACEBOOK
CAUSE
MEMBERS
RECRUITED



16 SHORT-TERM GROUPS HOSTED



FULL-TIME
INT'L
WORKERS
SENT



2009 YEAR IN REVIEW

- Sent first two international workers to work fulltime in La Limonada - Leah Craver & Kate Dundon
- Created Facebook Cause now with over 2,000 members
- Began and completed extensive renovation project on Escuelita Mandarina where now over 150 children attend
- "Painting Lemonade" project in partnership with high school art students in Wake County, NC
- Launched "TEN2END" Campaign providing donors with an opportunity to give \$10 a month to help end poverty, injustice, hunger, hopelessness and despair in La Limonada
- Established partnerships with Lifepointe Church
 Raleigh, NC; Life Of Hope Joplin, MO;
 Bridgepoint Bible Church Houston, TX; Vineyard
 central Norwood, OH; First Covenant Church
 Sacramento, CA; Cincinnati Occupational
 Therapy Institute Cincinnati, OH; Tree Of Life
 Church Harrisburg, PA; and Rivers Crossing Kings Mills, OH

- Held inaugural Fundraising Gala at Caffe Luna in downtown Raleiah, NC
- Worked with students at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC to establish a Lemonade International student group to raise awareness and support for the children of La Limonada

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- Established fund and plans for a Carpentry Workshop to teach woodworking skills to ex-gang members and to provide them with a viable means of making a living
- Began the research phase of establishing a faith community in partnership with the schools
- Friends and partners at Cincinnati Occupational Therapy Institute provided a 10-week internship program and continuing education opportunity to school psychologist, Priscilla Yool.
- Mourned the loss of two students from our schools; Sofia Balán (4) and Dulce Rivera (3)
- Provided bonuses for teachers, scholarships for high school students and shoes, backpacks and school supplies to over 300 students through our "Gifts Of Hope" Christmas campaign

LIFE IN LA LIMONADA - 2009:



In January, we were able to send Miguel to drug and alcohol rehab. That same week his two boys were sponsored by families here in the US. During his time in rehab, Miguel made a sincere decision to be a follower of Jesus.



One of the mothers of two of the children who attend our schools was attacked by her husband with a machete - cutting her several times on the head, on both hands and cut off one of her Angers at the knuckle. She now serves as an employee at one of the schools and is bringing hope to others out of ashes of her pain.



the renovations were in full swing at Escuelita Mandarina the teachers had to be very creative with their use of space and teaching methods. One of the new assistant teachers, Ronal, creatively used a "blackboard" in his classroom to teach math.



Amarilis Chemotherapy & Surgery

With the help of partners here in the US, we were able to pay for chemotherapy and emergency surgery for Amarilis who was diagnosed with Endometrial Cancer.



parenting School

Each month parents, grandparents, aunts, neighbors (those responsible for sending students to school) attended "Parenting School" where they were encouraged and equipped to "train up their children in the way they should go"



Exploring A Church Community

The exploration process of establishing a church community in La Limonada began in full swing late last year. What is now known as "Communidad de Fe" (Community of Faith) began with Erwin" Shorty" Luna Spending time in the community with the teenagers and the schools and by getting to know the families of La Limonada.

2010: A Look Ahead

CARPENTRY WORKSHOP FOR GANG MEMBERS: Plans are in place and startup funds have been raised to launch a carpentry workshop for gang members to learn a trade that will provide them with a viable means of supporting themselves and their families. Our hope is that this program will serve as a model for other vocational programs that will be added in the

future.

PROGRAM: We are working in partnership with Fundacion Micros (a Microfinnace institution in Guatemala) and Carolina Microfinance Initiative at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to establish a pilot program for ten borrowers in La Limonada to start or grow a small business. A group of four students majoring in Economics and trained in microfinance will be in La Limonada for a six week internship program this summer to help move this initiative forward.

MISSION HOUSE FOR INTERNS & GROUPS: We have secured a home in Guatemala City that will house up to six interns who will be working full-time with the schools

in La Limonada. Our team member, Donnie Long, will serve as the House Director, and will also host short-term teams who will be guests in La Limonada for a week at a time throughout the year.

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT OF RESCUE HOUSE/FOSTER HOME FOR CHILDREN IN CRISIS: Tita and her team have been taking children into their homes for the past few years. This has become unsustainable and has placed a limit on the number of children in crisis situations they are able to take in. We are very passionate about this and have begun with a research and development phase of establishing a "rescue house"/"foster home" that will serve to provide a loving home environment in the short-term and long-term for children who have been abandoned. abused, neglected or who's parents are unable to care for them.

CHURCH COMMUNITY - "COM-MUNIDAD DE FE": The church community is moving forward in La Limonada with a full-time pastor along with a part-time assistant. Pastoral care through home visits and home gatherings, or "Grupos"

de Vida" (Life Groups) will be the focus of the church in La Limonada.

EXPAND BASE OF MONTHLY PARTNERS NATIONALLY: Our "50
States In 50 Days" campaign is
focused on expanding our base
of partners who provide monthly
support through Child Sponsorship, Teacher Sponsorship, and
TEN2END. Our next step will be to
empower others to raise awareness
and support for the people of La
Limonada - by encouraging key
partners to lead regional fundraising and awareness-raising events in
their local areas.

EXPAND ORGANIZATION & CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS: We currently have partnerships at varying levels with six organizations and churches in the US. We want to expand that group to include 12 solid ongoing partnerships. The transformation we seek for the La Limonada community will require the collaboration and expertise of many qualified and passionate people - not simply one organization or group of people working on its own.

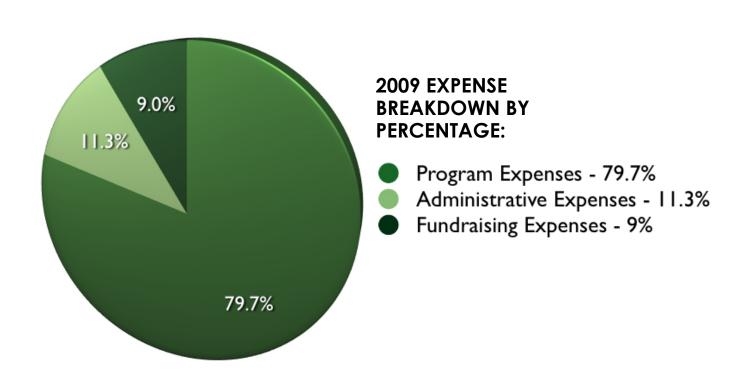


FINANCIALS:

2009 was our first full year as a registered 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization. Over the course of the year, we had \$336,490.53 of revenue and \$287,944.62 of expenses. A large majority of the surplus was carried over to January of 2010 and transferred to Guatemala for our "Gifts Of Hope" campaign. Here is a breakdown of our expenses for 2009 and our projected expenses for 2010:

EXPENSES BY CATEGORY

Program Expenses	2009 Actual	2010 Projected
La Limonada Programs	183,453.47	288,068
Humanitarian Relief	5,820.50	18,000
Communidad de Fe	2,400.00	31,000
Groups/Mission House	9,715.00	36,998
International Workers	28,035.72	42,984
Total Program Expenses	\$229,424.69	\$417,050
Administrative Expenses	\$32,694.51	\$38,500
Fundraising Expenses	\$25,825.42	\$27,500
Total Expenses	\$287,944.62	\$483,050





Letter From Board Member:

What a great year this has been! It is exciting to see so many individuals, churches and other organizations join together to support the work being done by Tita and her team in La Limonada. Lemonade International is still a young organization. We have a lot to learn. But Bill, Cherie and the LI team have done a marvelous job and have come so far in a very short period of time. It is a privilege for me to be able to play a small role in supporting and encouraging their work.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in some way. Whether it is through regular giving, one-time gifts, sending supplies or taking a short term trip, your sacrifice is a blessing to a place and a people who desperately need it.

We have much work yet to do this next year and in the years to come, and I am more hopeful than ever. God is so good, and there is no stopping His children when they embrace His plan and join Him in His work.

Su hermano en Cristo,

Ray Strecker

Lemonade International Board Member

Pastor of Compassion Ministries Vineyard Church Northwest Cincinnati, OH



66 What Our Partners Are Saying:



"I went to La Limonada (my first mission trip ever) thinking that our team was going to be able to shower the people there with so many blessings and teach them about the love of Christ. Although, I'm sure we did some good there, we were the ones that were showered with blessings! For me, personally, it changed the very essence of who I am and what I now value in my life!" - D. Perry

"We were on a home visit to a horrible house when Tita took a dark piece of paper and covered the top of a bowl with it and said the bowl was La Limonada and the paper was like the darkness over La Limonada. She then took a pen and started to poke holes in the paper and said, every time we pray we poke a hole in the darkness over La Limonada. I have never prayed the same since then." - J. Langston

"Everytime I have gone to La Limonada I have had my heart opened up more and more to the real movement of God's hand in the lives of those people and within my own life. It it a whirlwind of heartache, passion, laughter, tears, smiles, and hugs all wrapped up in unbelievable love. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't close my eyes to flash back to walking into the community being welcomed by tiny arms of hugs and kisses accompanied by a sense of wholeness that I have never felt anywhere else." - S. Wisher

"The face of Christ is present in the work that Tita's team is doing in serving the people of La Limonada. I had an opportunity to witness the remarkable opportunities that Lemonade International is providing to the children in the largest urban slum in Central America. I am a better person because of my experience and chance to serve." - A. Marshall

"The people in La Limonada remind me that having 'things' is not what makes us happy, it only leaves us wanting more 'things'. So, when I think of La Limonada, I think of very poor people that don't have many 'things', but have so much to teach us all about what true happiness and love really is." - E. Langston

"Being in La Limonada was truly a life changing experience. It provided the ability to get away from my crazy and demanding everyday life... and to live for every moment. La Limonada is a very dark place but God is truly working there. Every day I knew God was going to do something incredible, and all I had to do was be patient and wait for the moment to witness." - J. Perry

"If you spend yourself on behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday" - Isaiah 58:10

2009 Team, Volunteers, Interns Boards & Special Thanks

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