# Summer 2023

### Dear Friends,

What a busy and exciting season at Jubilee. As I write this, the 79 students in the After-School Music Academy program are busily preparing for our Mid-Year Recital. Also, we recently held our first-ever Honduran Cultural Arts Festival in which students in every grade participated in traditional Honduran songs and dances!

One of our highly anticipated activities of the year is giving a brand new Bible to each of our 3rd graders. Because of the hybrid learning through the pandemic, this year we also had the opportunity to give Bibles to our 4th-graders as well. It is always so inspiring to see the excitement and joy that their attitudes and faces reflect as they receive such a precious and desired treasure, their very own Bible!

Recently, one of our 9th graders, Nelson, came for the very first time to Jubilee's church youth service. We had the opportunity to talk with him at length and we were so grateful and impressed to hear his maturity, his hunger for the Word of God, and his desire to regularly attend Jubilee's youth services. Nelson lives with his mom, grandpa, and 4th grade sister who is also a student at Jubilee. He loves theater and enjoys participating in the afterschool Theater Club at school. "I was very impacted by the recent skit we did during our recent student worship times. I identify with



the main character and have experienced how the enemy tries to come to steal our joy and destroy our lives. Just like the main character was rescued by Christ's power, I too have been rescued from Satan's schemes in order to fully live for Christ."

It is our hope, prayer, and daily labor of love that every one of our students would fall in love with Christ Jesus, and that just like Nelson, they would live for Him and serve Him in their homes, communities, and in their professional lives.

Thank you for joining us in this invaluable mission! God has been so good to us and we are filled with JOY!

In Christ's Service,

Smily Homero

David & Emily Romero-



# Meet Charismatic Math Teacher Mrs. Alejandra

For the last four years, we have been blessed to have Mrs. Alejandra Rosales as part of our teaching staff. Mrs. Alejandra teaches 7th-10th grade math. You will always find Mrs. Alejandra with a sincere smile on her face, full of love, and always willing to help others. Her desire is that her students not only learn mathematics, but also have an entrepreneurial spirit, be curious about learning, and excel in all that they do.



In October 2020, at the height of the pandemic in Honduras, she reached out to Jubilee with a pre-recorded video class on mathematics. A Jubilee staff member watched her video and we immediately contacted her to help provide virtual math tutoring for our students in need.

Mrs. Alejandra desires and prays that all Jubilee youth truly know the love of God, be born again in Christ Jesus so that their lives can be instrumental in reaching their families for the Lord.

She asks for prayers for her youngest son who is still unable to say his first words. As a worried mother, she asks the Lord to keep her son safe and healthy.

We are very grateful for her wonderful heart, charisma, and dedication that Mrs. Alejandra shows towards the youth of Jubilee, and towards God, her heart is always to glorify the Lord!

To read the full story, visit jubileecentershn.org/blog/

Jubilee offers children and youth who live in poverty-stricken neighborhoods the opportunity to meet Christ and receive a transformative education while also discipling the student's entire family.

# Meet 4th grader Trumpeter Josadac Hernandez

In 2018, Josadac Hernández joined the Jubilee family as a kindergarten student. Josadac has always been a natural leader in the classroom. He is very intelligent, talented, and participates in all classroom activities. He stands out for his integrity and thoughtful personality.

Josadac has also been a member of the music program since 2022, where he is learning to play the trumpet. He shared with us that being a part of the 2022 recital and the end-of-year concert was one of his best experiences at Jubilee.

"Jubilee has been such a blessing in my life, the school and grounds are so nice, and the teachers all love the Lord and teach us how to be true worshipers of God. I also love sharing



I love the trumpet because it makes such a beautiful sound. You can worship the Lord through music. It makes me think about what it will sound like when Jesus returns, how loud and beautiful the sound of God's trumpet will be.



the Good News with the brothers and sisters who visit Jubilee."

Without a doubt, Josadac is a true worshiper and uses his gifts and talents to exalt the name of Christ. We pray and trust that the Lord will continue to use him in even more powerful ways as he continues to grow. To read the full story visit:

- Josadac Hernandez



# Science Fair: Instilling Discovery & Curiosity!

During the month of May, we held our annual Science Fair in which each grade level competed with their projects. Our students surprised us with their creativity, innovation, and scientific research. Every student at Jubilee was part of a team of two or three students. After two winners were picked from every grade, we held a competition with the winners from every grade level. These top five groups from the entire school went on to represent Jubilee at the district-level Science Fair, competing against 15 other schools in our district.

Mrs. Cindy, Academic Coordinator, was one of the qualifying judges at the Science Fair and she shared, "It was rewarding to see the students' love and curiosity for science grow through their science experiments. Their effort and dedication were seen in each of the projects. I was amazed to see some of our shy and quiet students defending their projects, as their knowledge, talents, and abilities came to light."

Of the five groups that went to the District Competition, three of them won 2nd or 3rd place at the District Competition. Jubilee's School took home more medals than any other school in the Competition! To read the whole story visit: jubileecentershn.org/blog/









### 10th Graders – 2nd Place at the District Level Competition **Electric Game, Super Flags of America**

The project consists of two electrical poles and a map of the Americas with all their flags and countries. With one pole you select the flag and the other pole you select the country on the map. If the light shines green you choose the correct match, but if you select the incorrect flag, the light shines red. This creative educational tool using electrical circuits can be done with any variety of learning tools (letters, multiplication tables, Bible memory verse, etc).

# Ferro Fluid

9th grade students presented the ferrofluid project, which is a liquid that is magnetized by the presence of a nearby magnet. The ferrofluid contains ferromagnetic nanoparticles which respond to a magnetic field. The students did a very creative and dynamic demonstration with the help of different metals.

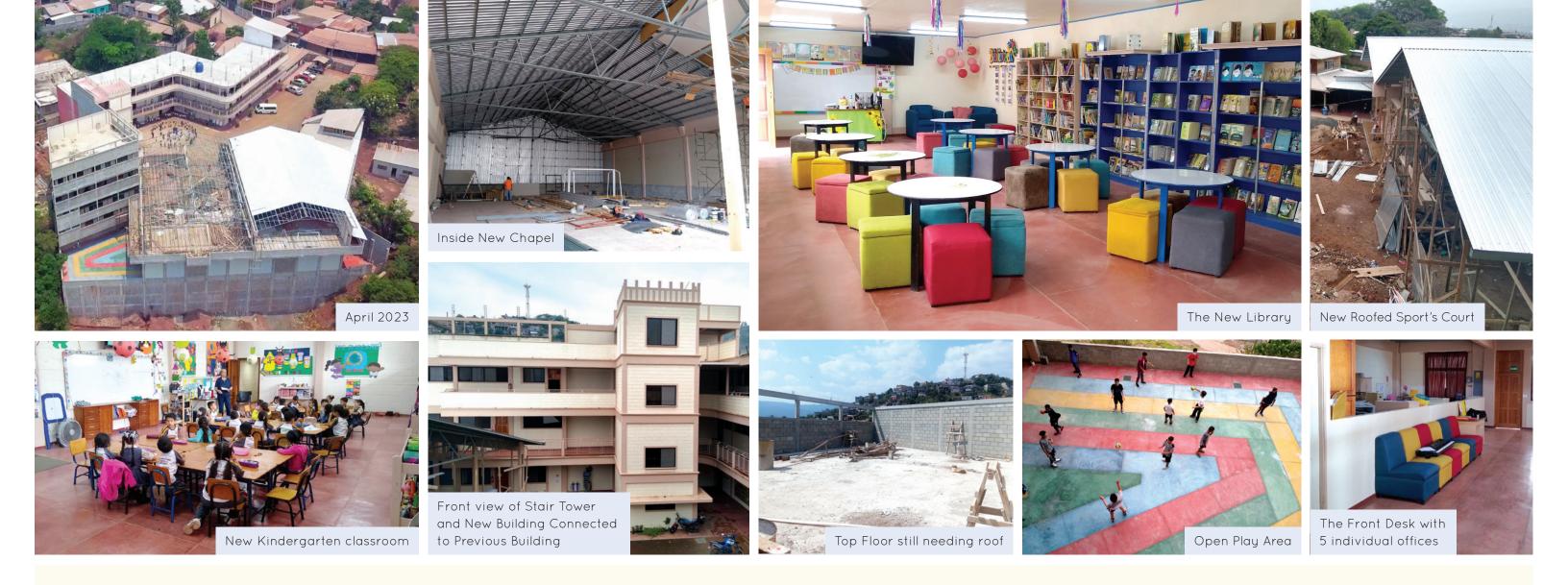
### Kindergarten – 2nd Place at the District Level Competition The Floating Egg

The project consists of immersing an egg in water with a lot of salt, allowing the density of the saline water to allow the egg to float. Despite their young age, the Kindergarten students had a lot of knowledge about how the egg works on a saline surface and they managed to present a creative project that they enjoyed a lot!

### Sixth Graders – 3rd Place at the District Level Competition Identifying Blood Type

The 6th grade students presented a unique project showing the process for determining blood types and its importance for medicine. They also explained to us the common and rare blood types.

# 9th Graders



## **Construction Progress**

### Enjoy some recent photos that highlight the progress and growth of our facilities!

Thanks to the support of partners like you, since 2019 Jubilee has been engaged in an ambitious construction project to expand our school building and grounds. Our original fundraising campaign, Middle School Miracle, held the hope that Jubilee could prepare our campus for our newly licensed middle school. With gratitude, we can report that God has provided us not only the resources needed to add a middle school, but also with the license and resources we needed to cover a full high school expansion.

Because of the generosity of partners like you, and the care of our construction workers, Jubilee has been able to accomplish so much already. In the last four years, Jubilee has converted a large slope at the edge of our property into safe, usable space where a new five-story building, gym, sports court, and new chapel now stand. In total, Jubilee has added approximately 30,000 square feet of usable space to our campus (more than half the size of an American football field)! Much more meaningful than the square footage are the new opportunities and experiences these spaces make available for our growing student population. Jubilee added 7th-9th grades in 2020, 10th grade in 2023, and plans to add high school grades until graduation! After many obstacles including building on this huge sloped property without any machinery, building through the pandemic, the enormous price hikes, continuing to build while students are on campus, and more, we are thrilled to report that we are only a few months away from being completely finished!

### I Will Seek You

This year our theme is "I Will Seek You" based on our theme verse Jeremiah 29:13. Four of our fourth graders reflect on what it means for them to seek the Lord:



**Seeking God** means to keep our faith fixed on Jesus Christ."

- Sheezeldy Blanco



When we seek God we find peace and love."

- Gabriel Figueroa



**G** To seek God means to obey His commands."





Seeking God means that we surrender ourselves to Him in obedience and holiness."

- Jaziel Ortiz



# Save the Date!

2023 Jubilee Celebration Event

Tuesday, November 14th, 2023

At The Pinnacle Center in Hudsonville, Michigan

We are excited to host another in-person event and hope to see you there!



