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Love Changes Lives



The Race

*"Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize?
Run in such a way as to get the prize."
I Corinthians 9:24*

Over the past few months I have been pondering and praying about the race that we run in life in general, but particularly in our work in Nicaragua. Until recently I had considered this to be a marathon rather than a sprint. While that is certainly true, I am convinced that if we are to run this race with Godly wisdom and patience it has to be a relay.

I have renewed vision and a mental picture of a baton in my hand as I face the months and years ahead. The work has grown so quickly that I have often just taken care of the most pressing issues each day and not taken the time to step back and reflect.

Several months ago we initiated some changes that will help to facilitate this relay race. We have made the huge step of re-organizing the ministry under it's own International name, Globe International, Nicaragua. It has placed us on a solid, permanent status inside the country and will be the legal and spiritual "track" for the children we will one day pass this baton on to.

My heart's desire is to care for the children the Lord places in our path and to prepare them for all He has created them to be. This preparation takes many forms and I dare not take any shortcuts with any of them. The care of orphans is a long term effort. Each infant we receive now represents a commitment of at least 18 years. By that time I hope to be able to kick back and sit in the preverbal rocking chair. (Those of you who know me well are having a hard time picturing this!)

I do look forward to the day when we, who currently carry the responsibility, will stand beside and encourage the ones we have invested in as they carry on in this amazing and eternal race. These kids are catching the vision, several of the older ones have already committed their lives to full time ministry. All have dedicated their lives to the Lord.

My goal remains.....my focus is clear. The prize is certainly worth the effort. We will continue to work together with you making disciples and planting His Church in Nicaragua...one child at a time.

Blessed to run beside you,

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