Update #202312 - 2023 Graduation!!!





Palacaguina Christian Academy Changing a Generation

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." – Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

This month, we celebrated not one, but two graduations at PCA: Our preschool graduation with 27 students and our first ever primary school graduation with 26 students. Praise the Lord!! This is a truly exciting and monumental moment for us as a ministry as well as for the 26 students who graduated from primary school. For many children in underserved regions of Nicaragua, this would be the highest level of education they would complete before beginning to work outside of the home. We are proud to share that 25 of our graduating 6th graders (96%) have committed to continuing their education in the 7th grade. This is a huge accomplishment, and we look forward to seeing these wonderful children graduating High School one day. Because we know an education will create the opportunity for these children to succeed. Thank you for all you do that makes monumental moments like this possible.

End Of Year Giving

If you are looking to give to Arete/PCA prior to the end of the year, we want to remind you to please send your donations (sent or postmarked) by December 31st in order to apply to the 2023 tax year.

Now is an incredible opportunity to help us get a jump start on our budgets for the 2024 school year. Your year-end giving makes a huge difference in how strong we are able to start the ministry year.

We are so grateful for your partnerships and your sacrificial giving to this ministry.

GROW BY ONE

Thank you, thank you to those who have been sharing with others the opportunity to sponsor a child. Let's continue working together to get all of our students sponsored. Once all of our children have been sponsored our annual deficit will literally disappear. Please take the time to grow by one. The impact will be worth it.

UPCOMING TRIPS TO PCA

If you or your tribe are interested in taking a trip to experience and serve at PCA, we invite you to come in 2024. We have so many flexible opportunities for your group of any age to make an impact. If you would like more information, please contact us at bwitonski@gmail.com. Some of our upcoming trips include:

- January 13-21 Teacher Training and Facilities Preparation Registration closed
- March/April Church Trip Serving at PCA Cost \$1,450 + airfare Open for registration
 - June 7-17 Youth Trip Serving at PCA Full trip.
 - November 2024 Adults Trip Serving at PCA Registration is private.

2023 PRESCHOOL GRADUATION

We congratulate our 27 preschool graduates!!!



2023 PRIMARY SCHOOL GRADUATION

We congratulate our 26 primary school graduates!!!



MISSIONS TRIP REPORT

We had a wonderful church group from Florida spend a week at PCA serving the students and doing community outreach. In addition to spending time working with the children and adding some beautiful murals to the school, the group did maintenance improvements at the local health center, evangelistic outreach in the park, and distributed 25 packs of food to families in need. Thank you for coming to make a difference and serve at PCA. We look forward to your next trip.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please pray God will continue to grow our sponsor network quickly.
- Please pray for our hiring and staff training in December and January.
- Please pray for the families and students of PCA as they are on break between school years.
- Please pray for Bailey as she grows in her leadership role at PCA.
- Please pray for God to guide us as we serve the families of Palacaguina.
- Please pray for our current mission trips in 2024 and that God will send more workers.

Dios te bendiga de la familia Witonski!!! (God Bless you from the Witonski family)

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PCA At-a-glance

Number of total Students: 213 2023 Grades: P-K3, P-K4, Kinder, 1st- 6th Grade Full-Time Jobs: School (25) Current Project: Looking toward 2024 Current Project Needs: \$50,000 Children Needing Sponsors: 97

Construction/Uniform Jobs: 3 Total Meals Fed (2023): 32,874

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