Last weekend, alumni Program Directors gathered in Washington, D.C. to celebrate 10 years of Manna Project. We spent time watching Manna videos and sharing stories of the last decade of memories, hearing updates from current Country Directors, and talking about growth and possibilities for the next 10 years. We loved hearing how time spent with Manna continues to impact the lives and careers of our alumni, and we enjoyed exploring D.C. together. For those who couldn't attend, you were missed! Video updates will be posted on our Facebook and YouTube pages over the next week.

Click here to see an update from Ecuador.
Click here for a program update and here for a country update from Nicaragua.

Record Patient Numbers and Positive Press Attention in Nicaragua

As word spreads around the community, MPI Nicaragua’s clinic in Cedro Galán continues to register new patients daily, and recently reached its 700th patient. Also this month, Manna enjoyed notable success in the Nicaraguan Press; first, the $71,000 Walmart grant received by our women’s jewelry cooperative Camino Nuevo was featured in La Prensa; then, Channel 2 News attended our monthly lacrosse field day with Lacrosse the Nations and featured player and coach interviews on the news!

Click here to see the article in La Prensa.

Ecuador’s “Todo Del Mundo” Summer Camp A Huge Success

MPI Ecuador finished three weeks of summer camp, covering everything from English lessons and cooking classes to African dancing, Egyptian-themed scavenger hunts, and art projects - with lots of glitter. All activities followed the theme “Todo Del Mundo,” exploring cultures from around the world. Participants ended with a party for children and parents where camp participants shared the things they learned and created.

Click here see more photos from camp.

Child Sponsors Needed in Villa Guadalupe

Our vital child sponsorship program in Nicaragua needs sponsors. $20 a month provides nutritional supplementation for at-risk children during the crucial early years of development. Some children have special needs and require two sponsors to cover the cost of additional supplementation prescribed by our nutritionist. Sponsors receive monthly updates and photos of their specific child.

Click here for more information or to sponsor a child.

A Decade of Manna: 2010 Starting MPI Guatemala

In 2010, we founded MPI Guatemala. In three years, we served over 800 direct beneficiaries and ran 8 programs. Though we are currently not operating due to a lower volunteer demand, we maintain a great relationship with the community and look forward to hearing how the Bottle School project and teacher English training programs continue to impact the community.

Click here to read more about the work of MPI Guatemala.

Through Manna’s first annual Like-a-thon, the Program Directors brought 700 new likes to our Facebook page. Widening our audience on social media helps the friends and family of our Program Directors to connect with the work Program Directors are doing while also widening our reach of potential volunteer applicants. Join the teams in Nicaragua and Ecuador by asking your friends to “Like” Manna!

Click here and invite friends to like Manna Project International!