

Providing a Christian education today and a hope for tomorrow...

# My Visit to NCS | Sherry Brooks

My task, "Describe my trip to Nicaragua" in a few words.

How do I take what God has created in His most awesome ways and put it into words?

Everyone needs to go there and meet these children. It will truly change your heart and your way of thinking.

The poverty is unreal! Our trash is their home. Our pocket-change is their monthly wage. Our "table-scraps" are their feasts. Our "throw-aways" are their Sunday best.

Right in the middle of this poverty is GOD... alive, working and ever-present. He has created the most beautiful faces and hearts. He has filled them with unconditional love for others. They have no wealth and very few things to occupy their time. Their lives are spent taking time for other people. They are on the streets visiting and fellowshipping with each other. Their doors are open for guests. They share all they have. They sit on their porches with their families. They have so little but yet they have so much.....the kind of heart for which I yearn.

We, as Americans, think that we can go there and teach them a better way to live, but the lesson is ours to learn... a better way to love.









#### 1 John 3:16-18

16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? 18 Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.





# Girls Class | Summer Grizzell

Hello all! God is doing great things at Nicaragua Christian school. With the boys starting their new soccer ministry, we also needed to have a ministry focused on the girls. Twice a week, during boy's soccer, the 3rd and 4th grade girls will have the opportunity to study the bible and learn about being godly young women, and then do a handcraft or learn a skill. The first three classes have gone great. The girls have participated in the devotionals along with leading our prayers. We have made bracelets, headbands, and beautiful cards that were sent home as gifts for Mom. Soon we plan to have local businesswomen come in and teach us to cook meals, make jewelry and pottery (etc). If you have any extra craft supplies that you would like to share with us please bring them to Campbell Street Church of Christ. Also, please keep these new ministries in your prayers as we work with the beautiful faces of Nicaragua Christian school. Here are some pictures of how our first days went. Cannot say it enough.. GOD is so good. Dios te bendiga





### New Soccer Ministry | James Bracken

God is great! We have an exciting new opportunity to give us more time with our young boys here at the school. Sergio with the help of his friend Ezekiel has started a soccer ministry here at the school for our 3rd and 4th grade boys. We are practicing two days a week and begin each practice with a devotional and prayer. These young boys love to play soccer and they were very enthusiastic when they saw the soccer jerseys, shin guards and soccer socks that were donated for the team. When walking through the neighborhood you see these children playing soccer with anything they can find in the streets. Many of them are playing bare foot with something that resembles a ball.

An added benefit to this ministry is that they are required to keep their grades up if they want to play. We hope that this will motivate them to study and stay on top of their school work. A large number of these young men are going to be tempted to quit school in the next few years to go and work. We trust that this extracurricular activity will keep more of them in school longer. If you have any used soccer equipment that your children have outgrown or want to donate some soccer equipment, please bring it to the Campbell Street Church of Christ office. Most importantly, pray to our Father that He will continue to watch over these young men and that He will put them on a path that leads them to heaven.



## NCS Golf Tournament | October 3rd

11:00- Lunch 12:00- Shotgun Start

Prizes will be included in Goodie Bags... Winning Teams, Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, and Putting Contest awards following the tournament. Sponsorship Levels:

Gold- \$5,000 Silver- \$2,500 Bronze- \$1,200 Team- \$600 Hole- \$150

Reserve your spot online at: nicaraguachristian.org

Questions: 731-427-9511

**Sponsorships for 2012** Each year more children join NCS. If you would like to sponsor a child you can for \$30 per month, \$360 per year. If interested contact us for a sponsorship form.

#### <u>Contact Us:</u> 731.427.9511

contact@nicaraguachristian.org

If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution to sponsor a child or toward the building fund, please contact us or visit us on the web at <u>www.nicaraguachristian.org</u>.

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