



## MISSIONS OF HOPE Fall, 2018 Trip

The greatest God moment of this trip to Honduras was that I even went. Angie May approached me with her sweet smile and told me that two tickets were available if I would like to go. Looking at her, I answered with half-a-heart that I would think about it. But at that moment, I really had no inclination or desire to go. During the night, as I thought about the proposal again, I came to the conclusion that I needed to do this - to get out of the box. The second thought that really appealed to me was the idea of serving others. Those two notions drowned out all the other voices that were telling me not to go.

The night before we were to leave for Honduras, a friend read to me a paragraph from the little booklet, "*Help in Daily Living.*" The author wrote that God uses individuals to accomplish His purpose - the little Israelite maiden being one example. Her situation, to all appearances, was a bad one. She was taken from her home and enslaved to the Syrians. But God had a plan for her, using her as His representative to "cleanse" Captain Naaman. This passage spoke to my heart and also encouraged my decision to go to Honduras.

On the Sabbath following our return, our pastor spoke about how one person can make a difference. He quoted from the same section of the same booklet. It confirmed to me how God can use us as individuals if we are willing.

I didn't perform any "great" service in Honduras. I preferred to be behind the scenes doing little tasks each day. The experience of being near the children, getting to know them through playing with them, doing crafts, attending worship and cooking a meal for them were steps in my Christian walk.

Thank you, Lord, for this opportunity and for helping me say "*Yes*" to your invitation.

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