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Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your continued interest in and support of the Walter Henry Educational Complex. Your gift of \$663.73 helps with the ongoing expenses of the school and the student scholarships which help make it possible for many students to attend.

The economic situation in Bolivia continues to be quite serious. There are many strikes and protests because the government is not paying salaries on time and the cost of living is rapidly rising. At the Walter Henry Educational Complex, classes are going along well, since the salaries are paid by the school. Unfortunately there are about 20 fewer students this year due to the current economic problems. Unfortunately the Sunior Class has only 10 students this year

This semester, there is a graduate student from Virginia Wesleyan University helping with the English program in both middle school and high school and two afternoons a week, he gives additional classes to students who are interested in learning more. Providing accelerated English classes gives the school added appeal to the area students.

I am looking forward to spending two weeks in Bolivia in July with a Volunteers in Mission team from Christ UMC, Kettering, Ohio. Since the students will be on their winter vacation during the first week, the Ohio folks and I will spend that time in La Paz and Lake Titicaca. La Paz is the world's highest capital city and combines the very traditional way of dress and customs with modern computer use - at least in the city. Lake Titicaca is the world's highest altitude navigable lake and separates Bolivia from Peru. This time in the highlands will enable the team to understand more about the history and culture of Bolivia. Then we fly to Santa Cruz for a week of construction work and consultation with teachers on how to spot children with various learning need and how to begin to help them do better in school. I will be doing some of the translation for the team in both areas. A few of the team members have been to the Walter Henry Educational Complex before and for others, especially the high school students, it will be a new experience. Christ UMC has sent teams to different areas of the world so the members are very adapted to life in other cultures.

We greatly appreciate your prayers and help through the Advance.

Sincerely,

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