



Friends of The CCCO

Welcome to the first issue
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Giving is our Privilege, Giving is our Duty, Giving is our Mission

Our Vision:

Building together a foundation for children to rise to their own potential.

Our Mission:

Through partnerships, we focus on breaking the cycle of poverty and violence by providing values-based education, quality health and nutrition and caring personal support.

Message from the President:

- 2013 A Year in Review-

God allowed me to fulfill my dream of travelling with my grandchildren and their parents to visit Nazareth, during July 2013.

It was an unforgettable experience. I hope my children will in the future; continue this labour of love, in favour of the dispossessed children in Colombia.

The students offered us a memorable day, full of happiness and joviality. First they had prepared songs to greet us and then we attended Mass. Later they had written a special presentation of a story about a pupil during his years at Nazareth, culminating with him becoming a Priest. We were invited to a lovely lunch and following it, treated to a soccer match between the students of Nazareth and my grandchildren. They all won!!!

Sister Emiliana, who is the school's psychologist, is a very proactive, intelligent person, who with love and patience helps the children overcome their traumas and difficulties, which are not easy to deal with. The children at the school range in ages from 6 to 12 years.

This year we were able to continue, with your generous and continued support, loyalty of the Sponsors and the dedication of all the Volunteers, to send funds to further our ongoing projects of Education, Nutrition and Health.

Therefore, these are the total sent to Colombia:
To Nazareth: \$ 43,345.85
To FundaMAS: \$ 49,751.10
For a grand total of \$ 93,096.95

Thank you for your continued support, generosity and dedication.

Conchita Sanchez
President

Our Strategic Plan for 2014 includes:

Continue to support the children at:

- **Nazareth School and Orphanage**
- **Medellín – FundaMAS | Fundación Misericordia, Amor y Servicio**
(Foundation Mercy, Love & Service)
- Through educational resources, nutritional and health support.
- Providing personal support so children will graduate from high school.
- Providing bursaries for post-secondary school including apprenticeship opportunities.



Testimony

By 10 year old Christina

Hi, my name is Christina and I am proud of being a part of CCCO. I want to tell you about my visit to Nazareth.

It took a long time to get there as we had to go up a very bumpy road, but when we finally arrived, the children greeted us with a beautiful song.

Then we went to Mass together. After the lovely ceremony the boys put on a play for us. It was great, and even though they have so little, they made a gift for each of us. They were always so happy and never took the smile off their faces.

They play on a concrete floor, outdoor, which is their school gymnasium. AND BOY THEY CAN PLAY SOCCER!!

Seeing where the kids lived, slept, played; really helped my cousins and I realize how fortunate we are. When I am feeling down, there is really nothing for me to complain about.

I am glad that we, Canadians are helping them out because I learned that without our help, the school would not exist and then where would they go?

As we were leaving, I felt happy that we helped them out and that we are going to help them even more. I also felt sad that they don't have families like we do. I now realize that I am very blessed and want to continue to help them out.



Dedicate an Event to The CCCO

Gather friends and family for a CCCO event or dedicate an event (such as a birthday, baptism, etc.) to The CCCO. We would be happy to attend and share the work of The CCCO. All guests who contribute \$25 or more will receive a charitable tax receipt.

Make a Difference with Us

We are a 100% Volunteer Organization. Our volunteers are deeply passionate about our projects and the well-being of children in Colombia.

Looking forward to seeing you in 2014

Please mark your calendars and buy your tickets today!!

➤ **Sunday, April 27th, 2014**

Family BBQ

RattleSnake Point Golf Club - ClubLink
Milton, Ontario

➤ **Friday, June 6th, 2014**

8th Annual Golf Tournament

Carlisle Golf and Country Club - KaneffGolf
Carlisle, Ontario (10 minutes North of Burlington)

Gather friends or colleagues to create your four-some and call or go online for reservation and payment.

➤ **Fall 2014**

Fundraising Gala

Details will follow.

Limited space for our events

Online reservations and payments for our events by Pay-pal and major Credit Cards at www.theccco.org

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