

THE POWER OF YOUR SUPPORT IN NEBAJ

MOMENTS OF GRACE IN NEBAJ

In the mountainous region of Nebaj, Guatemala, the work supported by ImpactHope is more than a service; it is a ministry led with deep personal care by Dr. Juan Pablo, Carolina, and their dedicated team. It is a tapestry woven from small, daily miracles where care extends far beyond a diagnosis or a classroom.

The truest measure of our effort lies in the individual lives that have been gently lifted—economically, physically, and spiritually—and redirected toward hope. **We are delighted to share three stories** from the heart of our community that showcase this transformation.

HEALING THE BODY, RESTORING THE SPIRIT

The hospital's reach often goes beyond medicine and touches the heart. The spirit of the place is even captured in the small moments, like a little boy happily laying on the floor, telling Dr. Juan Pablo, "*Oh, this is very clean. I like it,*" demonstrating the welcoming and safe environment the staff works hard to maintain.



The care often goes deeper, as with Mr. Gregorio. He came to the hospital seriously ill, complicated by a long struggle with alcohol. After receiving comprehensive medical treatment, he was fully recovered. But the care didn't stop there. The staff treated him with love and respect, praying and encouraging him without condemnation. He was so grateful for this holistic approach that he returned to share the best news of all: he is returning to church and recommitting his life to the Lord. His story is a powerful reminder that treating the body often opens the door to healing the spirit.



BROTHERHOOD AND BREAKTHROUGHS

Pedro, a member of the men's group, The Mavericks, came to the hospital recently as a patient. While there, he shared a monumental victory with Dr. Juan Pablo: he was celebrating two years in a row without drinking alcohol!

Arturo praised the Lord for his sobriety, and this powerful personal achievement is something our partners were overjoyed to celebrate with him. The Mavericks men's group provides a crucial space for men to find accountability, strength, and encouragement, proving that supporting the whole person—mind, body, and spirit—leads to life-changing freedom.



INVESTING IN A FUTURE (STAFF STABILITY & EDUCATION)



Ministry leader Carolina (left) and the school Principal join Katherine (holding the flag), a determined Hebron School graduate.

The ministry's heart is revealed in the way it supports its own staff, ensuring their families find stability and opportunity.

Take **Miguel**, for example. Recently hired as a janitor, he found not just employment, but a supportive, faith-filled community where he is taught the Bible and is proud to be part of the hospital staff, contrasting sharply with a previous job where he was pressured to drink.

The picture of Carolina holding Miguel's newborn captures the essence of this connection. This personal visit and shared joy demonstrates that the ministry views its staff as family. Miguel hopes to enroll his two older girls in the **Hebron Vida y Esperanza School**, ensuring the entire family benefits from the circle of care, dignity, and spiritual growth.

Katherine is 18, responsible, disciplined, and deeply committed to caring for her younger siblings. She has always excelled in school, often at the top of her class, even during the uncertainty of the pandemic years.

Her dream was bold: to study medicine and become a doctor so she can serve communities like her own. Katherine realized that the path to becoming a doctor would prevent her from working, so she has wisely shifted her goal to become a Registered Nurse instead. This decision allows her to immediately begin studying, working, and serving simultaneously.

And the hospital continues to stand beside young people like her—children of staff, students from the Hebron school, and youth who are determined to build a future of service.

THE NEXT CHAPTER — AND A SIMPLE WAY TO BE A PART OF IT

Stories like these are being written every day in Nebaj.

Would you consider standing with the staff and families as they continue to build their future? You can support the projects that make these stories possible: equipping the new Operating Room, sponsoring a Nursing Scholarship, strengthening the Hebron School, or supporting the hospital operations.

Your support—whether monthly or one-time, is transforming lives!



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