

# Interfaith Action International, Inc.

“Global Faith for a Global Community”

## Guatemala Mission Project - Scholarship Fund

October 1, 2019

Dear Friends of the Guatemala Mission Project,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported the Guatemala Student Scholarship Program not only for this year but also in the past years. This year, 76 students have been able to attend school, thanks to the loving support of your generous donations to the scholarship program. They will be finishing up the school year this year at the end of October. Because of the support of your sponsorships and donations, these children have an opportunity for a bright future. We hope to continue to support these students in our scholarship program for 2020 school year starting in January. Therefore, we are asking for your assistance in educating the young Maya children in the highlands of Guatemala, thus providing them with the opportunity to attend school. This can be life changing for the student, their families, and their communities.

Please read the attached brochure and see that there are several ways to help with your donation. You can select either a full or partial scholarship for a specific grade level, or you also have the opportunity to provide a continuing annual scholarship to a specific student and follow that student through their school years, or you can donate to the general scholarship fund. If you have any questions regarding the scholarship program, you can contact us via e-mail ([carolfuji@msn.com](mailto:carolfuji@msn.com)) or phone at (909) 862-1718.

In the interest of providing additional funds to the scholarship program, we are forwarding the scholarship information packet via e-mail wherever possible, thus minimizing the cost of mailing. Your thoughtful consideration in support of the Guatemala Student Scholarship Program is most appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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## Guatemala Project Student Scholarship Program

The Guatemala Mission Project currently sponsors 75 children in many villages in the highlands in and near Chichicastenango. The need is enormous. There are children who are unable to afford school supplies and fees in order to attend school. You can make it possible for children to start/or continue their education.

The Guatemala Mission Project was founded by the United Methodist Church. It is a program of Interfaith Action International, a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization.

Questions?

Contact: Tom and Carol Fujiwara - e-mail at  
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There are many opportunities to give in our society today. Education of young people who otherwise might not be able to attend school is a powerful way to make significant life-long changes for the good, not only in the children's lives, but in the lives of their family, community and country.



## Schools in Guatemala

The Guatemala Government provides teachers at local schools. However, families of students are required to pay nominal school fees, all school supplies, such as pencils, pens, paper, notebooks, and books, etc. Our Student Scholarship fund is used for students (K - University) who are unable to attend school because their families cannot afford to pay these school expenses. Scholarships are given to children who live in an area where the "Guatemala Mission Project" has completed service projects; such as installing high efficiency wood stoves, building projects including medical and dental clinics and school classrooms. Students in need of scholarship are identified by their teachers and School Director. Parents can also contact a local "Guatemala Mission Project Leader" regarding their need.

The local Guatemala Mission Project Leader meets with the parents and the students at the beginning of the school year to discuss their parental and student commitments to ensure school attendance and the money usage for school expenses. Scholarship money is dispersed on monthly basis to ensure the family and students are following through with their commitments. The Project Leader oversees the School Scholarship Funds, which can be used for the school fees, supplies, books, etc.; and sometimes for the purchase of clothing and shoes, if any funds are left over.

### Options:

- 1) Full year scholarship donation
  - a) Know the name of the student (identified within 4 to 6 weeks of the donation)
  - b) Student need not be identified
- 2) Partial scholarship donation - any amount of donation towards a scholarship
  - a) Student need not be identified
  - b) Share student support with other donors
- 3) Scholarship Adoption - count on me for an annual donation to sponsor the education for an identified student each year of their education
- 4) General scholarship donation - any amount of donation given to any student(s) in any grades



The primary funding for the Guatemala Mission Project comes from the sale of the hand-crafted merchandise. A number of sales are held at various locations in Southern California each year. For additional information on the Guatemala Mission Project or the schedule of sales, contact our web site, [www.sdguatemalaproject.org](http://www.sdguatemalaproject.org).

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Guatemala Mission Project Student Scholarship Donation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Place "X" in front of Donation Option of the amount enclosed:

- 1a) Full year scholarship - name of student(s) given to donor  
 1b) Full year scholarship - no need to identify student(s)  
 2a) Partial scholarship: Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (No need to identify student)  
 2b) Partial scholarship: Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Share identified student support with other donors)  
 3) Scholarship Adoption: Annual donation to sponsor an identified student  
 4) General scholarship donation: Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (No need to identify student)

Circle one: \$100.00 for Grades 1-4 \$125.00 for Grades 5-8 \$175.00 for Grades 9 and up

Make checks payable to: "Guatemala Mission Project" (a program of Interfaith Action International, Inc.)

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