



My wife and I just returned from a great weekend in Denver, CO. We had the privilege of giving away at the altar and being the minister at the wedding of a beautiful and successful American dental assistant by the name of Yesenia. You might be asking yourself, “What does this have to do with Lily of the Valley Orphanage in Aldama, Chihuahua?” Precisely this: Yesenia was not always a beautiful and successful dental assistant. She came to us as a sad, little 9-year-old girl, rejected and abandoned by her father. She had even attempted to commit suicide.



For me, anyone who attempts to take their own life arouses a lot of compassion inside of me. However, our compassion was especially aroused for Yesenia, who at the age of 9 was making the statement that her life was not worth living. Yesenia came to know the love of Jesus Christ at the Lily of the Valley. She discovered that her life really was worth living, that God was her father, and that she had a lot of talent and intelligence. She started excelling in school – elementary school, then junior high school and high school. At the age of 18, the doors opened for her to live in the United States.

We, unfortunately, lost touch with her for approximately 7 years. One year ago, on a Sunday night in Hart, MI, after having preached in the morning service and the evening youth meeting, we were returning to our place of rest for the week when a pretty young lady and a handsome young man got out of a parked car and came running up to us. We screamed with delight – it was Yesenia! She had so much good news to tell us. She had become an American citizen, she was studying dental technology, and she had a handsome fiancé named Casey. Not only that, she asked me to perform her wedding and to be the father of the bride. It was almost too much to take in. God is so good!

Today, we are wondering how many other Yesenias are out there in the

world, from the United States to Mexico, to Africa, to India? How many other children have come to the conclusion, “My life is really not worth living”?

We need to follow the leading of the Lord and to reach out to other children, who are just like Yesenia used to be. How much joy there is in seeing broken children now leading successful adult lives!

Right now, because of the lack of finances, we are unable to accept any more children at either of our homes. December tends to be a month of plenty, because of the Christmas season, but during the months in between we experience drought financially. The world will try to persuade you to keep your belongings to yourself, but the

Word says otherwise: **“Give generously to others in need.” Ephesians 4:28b.** May the Lord in His infinite goodness and mercy, touch your hearts, bless your lives, and fill your cup to overflowing. Dare the Owner of the whole universe to bless you as you give. We ask you to give the best donation that you can possibly give, to continue reaching out to the orphans, so that we can continue to accept every child that will be brought to us in need.

With love, Ed and Rosa Salo

Thank you for your generosity, we are extremely grateful.



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If you feel lead by the Lord to support this ministry, donations can be made to our San Diego office, marked Lirio Chihuahua or Lirio Guachochi. Thank you!

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