



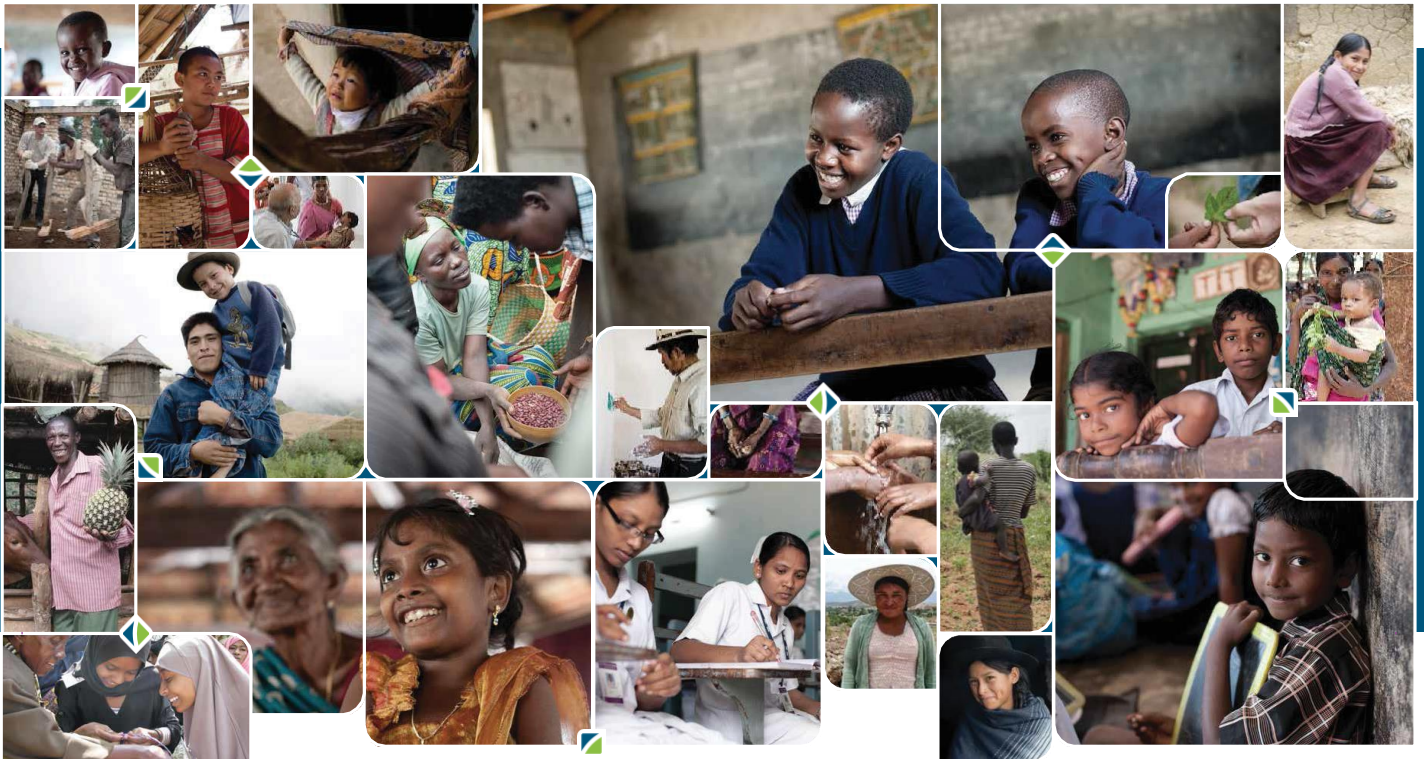
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2022 MissionFest Project Proposal Middlesex Lambton Huron Association

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The Opportunity

Working with our partner in Bolivia, the Bolivian Baptist Union (UBB), CBM is supporting local churches as they proclaim and demonstrate the Gospel in word and deed. We are inviting the Middlesex Lambton Huron Association to join with us in this important work by supporting ministry to vulnerable children, church planting, and pastoring pastors.

1. **Kids at Risk Bolivia (\$15K).** We provide hope and possibilities for children to arrive at adulthood healthy, whole and healed. When children fail to reach their potential year after year, we all face a darker future. Kids at Risk initiatives combat; poverty, suffering from trauma, chronic hunger and lack of educational opportunities. Our partners do this through a variety of initiatives, including; support for nutritious meals, access to health care, help to supply school uniforms and learning materials. Programs also provide safe spaces for afterschool programs. Children and their families are supported through education about hygiene, the Bible, and family and social issues.



2. **Theological Education (\$13K).** More than ever, there is a need for effective, qualified, and Spirit-led pastoral leaders in the Bolivian Baptist Union churches. Through their studies, these men and women receive academic instruction in theology, Biblical studies, the practice of ministry, leadership development, all delivered with a focus on the character of Christ and personal spiritual formation. Because of pandemic restrictions, the seminary has been required to use a hybrid learning model using Zoom and the Moodle platform.



While this has presented many challenges, it has also presented opportunities for students from remote areas to participate without traveling to the city of Cochabamba. Overall, the partner reports that this has gone well to date. One student who has benefitted from this opportunity is Veronica Vargas, pictured below leading a Bible study. She says,

"My hope is to serve to God in the missionary area...by the grace of God, I long to reach the remote communities of the provinces where my grandparents lived before."

3. **Pastoring of Pastors (\$7K).** Our partner has recognized pastors' unique challenges, especially in isolated rural areas. There is a need for community, spiritual care, mutual support and accountability, and encouragement if pastors will serve well and lead their churches towards fruitful ministry. This initiative provides this care and support so that local church ministry can flourish. The need for leaders' spiritual care has dramatically increased throughout the pandemic, causing this ministry to bloom and flourish.



TOTAL AMOUNT: \$35000