

Cole and Sarah McCauley, your hands and feet for the orphaned

We all know the story of Jesus calming the wind and the waves while He and the disciples were in the boat on the lake. One thing we may forget, though, is that He was in charge of the storm even coming in the first place. Sometimes, He sends overwhelming, impossible situations into our lives to remind us that we are not as much in control as we may think, to put us in a place where all we can do is call out in complete desperation to Him, and to once again manifest to us that He is all-powerful and loving. Just last week, we had a collection of circumstances that felt like such a storm...

We had been trying to raise funds since September to buy a vehicle so the girls could commute between Casa de Mi Padre and their new home on the property where the new Casa de Mi Padre is being built. Not a single donation had been sent in specifically for the vehicle. One donation marked "where needed most" had provided about \$15,000 that we set aside to go toward this need. With no progress toward our fund-raising goal for a couple of months, we started considering buying some kind of smaller or used vehicle that would cost less just to help us all get by. We had been praying to be able to buy a newer vehicle to replace Casa de Mi Padre's 15-year-old 16 passenger van for road trips to the capital, and then we could pass along the older van for the girls to commute around town. It didn't seem like this would ever happen. We were getting discouraged, but kept praying.

We had been letting the girls use one of our cars as needed (or sometime other ministry vehicles), but school started last week so now they needed transportation every day. The 15-year-old bus was in the repair shop. A mission team was coming, so Shane had the ministry's big bus to pick them all up from the airport. Cole had to take one of our cars to the capital for a follow-up appointment with his doctor after a recent surgery. The girls were using our other car pretty much all day, every day. So, Wednesday, Sarah was ready to be pretty much stranded at home for a couple of days and skip teaching music lessons at the orphanage due to lack of transportation. All four of our kids were sick and coughing; Sarah had a lung infection and was waiting for her antibiotics to take effect so it wouldn't hurt to breathe. Talk about a perfect storm of circumstances! We trust in you, Lord, but sometimes it's hard to wait and not get discouraged.

So, Wednesday afternoon, Cole (who had a fever at that point) headed out the door to go the capital, saying good-bye and that maybe our next donations report would have some more money to help get a vehicle. Sarah went back into the house. Well, might as

Mission team helping out





well check email and see if there's any good news. Hmm...an email from our secretary in the USA...a longer message than normal...could it be...YES!!! Somebody has donated toward the vehicle! An anonymous donor has given the complete amount that we needed to purchase a new vehicle for the ministry!!! Sarah immediately called Cole to tell about this amazing provision. We praise you, Lord! You are our loving Father; you know how to give good gifts to your children. Your timing is perfect. Thank you for bringing us to the end of our feelings of self-sufficiency and once again reminding us that YOU have everything in control. Nothing is too hard for You! Please help us to continue to rely on you for guidance and provision in every part of our lives and mission work. Help us to proclaim Your goodness to the kids we serve, the staff we guide, and everyone else we meet!

This week, a mission team from a church from our old hometown is here helping out with our mission work. This team is all over the place! Part of the team is busy helping with construction on the property where the new Casa de Mi Padre is being built. Others on the team are helping out around the children's home, giving haircuts, painting, typing lesson plans from English which can then be translated into Spanish, and cooking. At the end of the days and on Sunday, everyone has a great time hanging out with the kids, playing soccer, and doing board games. It's also fun for them to actually experience our ministry in person. Many of the team members have known us or our ministry for several years, but actually interacting with the children of Casa de Mi Padre gives such a special connection.

If you would like to come on a mission

trip, we would love to host you! This year there are still open times to book your trip for early to mid April, mid June, or late August, and 2025 is completely open. Bookings are made on a first come, first served basis. Check out our website https:// savingkids.net/mission-trips for more details, or contact us.

Our founder, Shane was able to start the foundation of our main, central building and missions base that we will use to gather with the three future homes as a greater family for school, fun times, teachings, parties, mission groups, and special events. Praise God, and be praying that He would provide all the means to finish this project and finish it fast so we can get to the structure of caring for these children in the way we believe will be best. We pray that it would be fully functional in half the time estimated!!!

We are also excited to begin a new format for our schooling of the kids. Mornings will focus





heavily on academics, while afternoons will have time scheduled for practicing music and learning practical life skills. We have been blessed by some generous donors who are giving sewing machines so that each of our six older kids will have access to their own machine to practice and sew on! Please pray that the kids will be enthusiastic about this new learning opportunity, that we would organize our new schedule well, and that the new skills will be used to serve the Lord and minister to others.

We would like to thank all of you who pray for our ministry. The Lord is able to provide more than we ask or imagine. Please pray that we will continue to lean on His strength, no matter what storms may come our way. Pray that the children we serve would come to know and love the Lord as their rescuer from the storms that happened in their lives. We pray that you

also will be founded on the strong Rock of our salvation all the days of your life.

Well, that's all for now; please continue to petition on our behalf! We'll talk to you soon!

In Christ,

The McCauleys and the Kids of Casa

Spread the love of Christ to the kids of Casa de Mi Padre!

Here are some ways you could be part of our mission work...

Pray - Ask the Lord to bless our mission; invite others to pray

Give - Consider becoming a monthly supporter; one-time gifts help our work also. About 40% of our monthly budget is not yet covered by monthly supporters

Come - Sign up for a week-long mission trip! Spend time with the kids, help with construction, or participate in evangelism



To Support by Mail:

Checks to "Child Rescue-Cole McCauley"

Mail to: Child Rescue – Cole McCauley 11201 Parallel Parkway Kansas City, KS 66109



To Support by credit card online:

Go to www.savingkids.net
Click on the "Give" tab
Select Cole & Sarah McCauley

To set up automatic Monthly support: Go to the online giving link or contact Maywood Community Church at 913-721-2760. We are a 501(c)(3) organization.