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**Monthly LC Meeting Report –
Sep 24th 2016**

All leaders met from different Learning Centers at the W/N Partners Office. On September 24th 2016 the meeting took place beginning with the verification of the people who assisted it. It started with a prayer to God for this opportunity. Learning Centers present were:

- San Gabriel -Valle Los Aburtos,
- San Antonio -San Antonio community
- Guadalupano del Barrio San Cristobal -Managua,
- Manos Solidarias de las Américas 2,
- Florence y Willian Nellis -Samaria community
- San Judas Tadeo del Barrio Monseñor Lezcano,



- Regalo de Dios ~Chinandega
- Renacer de San Juan de Oriente
- Sagrado Corazón de Jesús ~San Benito,
- Gloria Chavarría en colonia Primero de Mayo
- Chilamatillo en comunidad Chilamatillo
- Casa de la Mujer ~ Ocotal
- Hossana en comunidad Comején No 4 Masaya
- Mujeres en Accion ~ Santa Lucia Boaco
- Madison Los Cedros
- Carolina
- Dios con Nosotros
- San Vicente de Paul



Leonor began the meeting letting them know about the donations and requesting to finish the report including pictures of each learning center to be able to receive material that has arrived. Following the agenda Javiera talked about leadership and 10 ways to become a better leader and those are: (Lead by example, a little humility goes a long way, Communicate effectively, keep meetings productive, know your limits, find a mentor, be emotionally aware, watch out for (and avoid) common pitfalls of leadership, learn from the past and never stop improving.



leadership
motivation
dedication
excellence
drive
discipline
passion
heart

Craft class was developed by doing a beautiful bracelet made of ribbons and pearls. Ana Julia from San Judas *Tadeo* was the instructor and she made the class easy and simple so the way all people can learn easily and share the experience with other centers and communities. Josefina said that she liked the work that they organized because it was simple and fast. Ana is a student that takes bag classes and for the first time she came to this meeting, she is unemployed, but she will start working at home. Erika is one our participants coming for the first time and she loves crafts. Also, she is thinking about sharing this with others.



Betania Teresa came from Chinandega with difficulties, she showed a flower vase and cereal seed produced jicaro and it costs C\$ 30.00. People bought bracelets and she was grateful because of this opportunity. Teacher Augustina came from Santa Lucia Boaco, she liked the workshop about leadership and values. She hopes this new activity will be useful for her people.

Happy Birthday to Mirna!



The instructor of bag classes, Rosa Maria congratulated Javiera for her good development during the workshop, she is grateful and she will put into practice what she have learned. Amalia stated these classes are useful as a therapy to grow as a person, she will share with other people that she uses to meet to have a better self-esteem. Ulda expressed that on her fiftieth she is still learning and she has noticed in other meetings that people are not prepared as they should. Now she knows how important is to be prepared because working at the Learning centers is difficult. She has improved as a person attending this meetings. Amalia thanked Julia because she shares her bracelet's idea. Leonor commented these meetings should be well-organized, she always has a plan B.



Normita told her story with a person that is always bothering her, sometimes she gets angry and would like to attack her; however this workshop helped her consider the situation and be more patience.

Vilma expressed her gratitude with Javiera because she is always helping us to learn and growth personally. She is grateful to Leonor and all people that work for the organization organizing classes, workshops,etc.

Vilma has been working in Cedro Galan Community with 15 punctual and enthusiastic students. Some leaders showed the vase activity made in August .

focused on becoming
a *better* me.



Elena was representing Angelica an 80 year old lady from Los Cendros Learning Center. She asks God to give more patience to Angelica to continue teaching and sharing with others. Elena had a tough life in the past, inclusive she used inappropriate language, but now God is on her life and she has changed. This is the second time Elena is attending the meeting and this workshop helps everyone to share and relieve problems. She liked the bracelet activity and she will teach this to children thank to God and people that helped to make it happen. Also, Marina from Chilamatillo expressed her interest in teaching this activity to her students.

We discussed Bike Hike activity event that helps the organization. This year the t-shirt will be purple and once the person pay the inscription for C\$ 150, will be able to participate in the bicycle raffle and use the t-shirt. All learning centers can organize their own bike hike activity, but the official event will be held October 30th in Samaria Community.





Estela is planning to support Sagrado Corazon de Jesus Center by organizing a hiking event in San Benito-Tipitapa. Also, they are planning to collect funds that will be delivered to the organization by students and parents . At the end of the meeting plastic pails were delivered to each of the participants.

Leonor Guerrero