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A Founder's Note from Mike Williams

Dear Friend,

I will try to keep this brief, but when I start telling stories, there are so many to tell. The six weeks of summer camp were all stellar successes. Watching all the leaders, most of whom grew up in the CUPS program as children, now leading the camp, there was rarely a day that a tear did not sting my eye. To see over a thousand children singing praises to God, I was almost in heaven. Knowing that in ten years these children will be the next camp staff teaching the next generation about Jesus, brings great joy to my heart. And for those of you who are our mission partners, "Kudos to you" for financing these operations. You did good! We did good.

This is a team effort. Are we excited about the scores of children who made decisions for Christ at the camps? Yes, but we are more excited about the possibility to walk along side of these children to see their lives transformed by the repetitive influence of the Word of God in their life. We are in this for the long haul. We are staying with them in all aspects of their life, because that is what Jesus does.



People have asked, "Why overseas missions? Are there not enough lost people or impoverished people here in the United States?" That is a legitimate question. I am reminded of the disciples and the 70 missionaries sent out by Christ. If they had felt that way, you and I might still be without hope, waiting for someone to come and share the Good News. Others have said, "I think it is time we focus on the unreached people groups." I agree. But I might say that anyone anywhere who is unreached is "unreached" and should not be left out, whether they are in the inner city of the United States, or a remote village in the Amazon rainforest. If you or your family is raised without faith in God and hope for the future, If you do not have a clear understanding of the teachings of Jesus Christ, you are unreached. CUPS Mission serves in the impoverished areas of Dominican Republic, Malawi, Africa, and soon in Mexico City. Our summer Bible camps bring in new children to hear the full message of Jesus. That becomes our starting point with them.



People have asked, "Why CUPS Mission? Are there not enough other missions operating already?" That too is a legitimate question. While CUPS Mission is cataloged with every other Christian mission, this ministry is focused on the entire life of a child. We do not articulate a "get saved - see you in eternity" narrative. We take a complete perspective on the lives of people, providing food, vocational education, life discipleship, medical services, family counseling, church life, and the promise of Heaven through faith in Jesus Christ.

Imagine right now that you are saved - headed for heaven - but everything you own is disastrously gone. Your education is gone. Your job is gone. You are living in a tin shack and eating from a garbage dump. Think about that for a minute. Are you somehow good and at peace with your surroundings knowing that when you finally die in forty or so years, it will all be better.

Would you like your children to have better than you? I'm betting we would all cling to the message of Jesus saying, "I have come to bring you a more abundant life (John 10:10). The CUPS 6 week Life Discipleship Camps plant hope and provide resources for a total life transformation.

A visitor to the mission once voiced, "I'm not sure CUPS Mission needs us. This is the most successful ministry I have ever seen." His senior pastor spoke up, "But we need to be part of a mission that is successful. We need to be investing more in what is working and less in what we hope will work someday." I agree with his scenario. I can't tell you that CUPS Mission is the most successful mission ever. I can tell you that our growth has been phenomenal. The largest denomination in the world visited us to find out how we are doing what we are doing with our limited resources.



Mike Williams - Founder - CUPS Mission

I feel so Paul(ish) saying, "I humbly share this so you can be confident knowing your investments are not in vain. Your monthly and one-time financial partnership is transforming lives. And this year's summer camp is another fine example of that. Let's do it again.

See you on the mountain,

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PS: If possible, please remember your partnership with CUPS Mission in your will, estate, trust, and legacy giving. Let your family know what you believed in. Thank you.















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