Dear Lexie,

Sligo Youth Summer of Service

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Upcoming Events

Future events include:

- **CONCERT LINE-UP!**: We have a line-up of great concerts for you to invite your friends and family to at Sligo Church:
This Sabbath: August 8, 2015

Speaker: Pastor Charles A. Tapp
"God's Good Work Part III: Perfect Perfection"

Special Musical Guests: Javonna Matthews
April Henline

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National Christian Choir Sept 26, Jaime Jorge Oct 10, Sandi Patty Nov 14!

- Prayer Gathering (every Wednesday night @ 7PM)

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Each evening Sigo’s youth had an opportunity to lead out in worship at the four living quarters at the orphanage. This provided a great opportunity for the youth to build friendships with the orphans by learning their names and praying for any specific needs the orphans had. It was through these worship experiences that a bond was developed by the Sligo youth with the community at the orphanage.

You would have noticed that the Sligo Church bulletin now has a short but significant two word statement on the front page, “Christ First.” Having Christ take first place in our youth’s lives, nurturing them in their growing relationship with Jesus, and equipping them into lives of service are top priorities for the Sligo Youth Department. It is when Christ is lifted up in their hearts that I believe we will see our world changed for the kingdom of God.

This mission trip has reminded me that Jesus is the greatest missionary of all who came down to our level so that He could lift us up by His grace. Jesus said, “For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.” (Luke 19:10). Jesus left the comfort of heaven and came to this earth to meet lost humanity where they were at – from a woman seeking acceptance at a well in Samaria to a crippled man seeking healing at a pool in Bethesda. Like Jesus, God asks us to also meet people where they are, from a neighbor who is discouraged with life to a work colleague facing the difficulty of balancing a career and a family. We are all saved by grace to serve others with that same grace we have received.

This trip was an absolute blessing, not only because we were able to give, but also for what we received from the people of El Salvador. All our thanks goes to God for His enabling grace and protection. We also thank our Sligo Church family for all their support and prayers.
Click on the following link to see a video of the El Salvador mission trip: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wkQG9b3-uY8

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